

# **Mrs** Clinton accused of lies and cover-up

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

SENATE Republicans vesterday released a massive report on the Whitewater affair that amounted to the most damning indictment of a First Lady in American history.

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On issue after issue, the Senate Whitewater committee's Republican majority accused Hillary Clinton of wrongdoing, directly challenged her truthfulness, and said aides had perjured themselves to protect her.

They accused her of complicity in a thoroughly fraudulent Arkansas land deal in the mid-1980s; they insisted that she had ordered a top-level cover-up after Vincent Foster's suicide in 1993, and they named her as the person most likely to have hidden records of her legal work for the corrupt bank at the heart of the Whitewater affair.

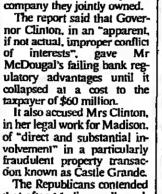
But the White House and Democrats on the committee rejected the charges of a kangaroo court" and accused the Republicans of using sly innuendo in a despicable election-year witch-hunt.

In a dissenting report, the

Clinton: "complicity in fraudulent land deal"

their endless memory lapses, changed stories and repudiation of their own notes and diaries. At a televised press conference, he hurled charges of perjury and obstruction at the White House, saying it had "misused its power, circunvented the limits of its authority and attempted to manipulate the truth". The Republicans' 770-page

report on a \$1.4 million inquiry that summoned 250 witnesses will now be forwarded properly removing others. Kenneth Starr, the Whitewater special prosecutor, who will decide whether to bring criminal charges against Mrs Clinton or any Administration officials. The report itself split the Whitewater scandal into what it called the Arkansas, Washington and Foster phases. The "Arkansas phase" deali with the Clintons' conduct in sought to suppress them. the mid-1980s when James The "Foster phase" con-Continued on page 2, col 1 McDougal, owner of Little Rock's Madison Guaranty bank, was pumping funds into Security scandal, page 17



real estate investment".

the Whitewater development that after Madison collapsed.

the Clintons and their allies launched a massive cover-up that began in Arkansas, lasted throughout the 1992 presidential campaign, and continued in Washington in order "to hinder, impede and control investigations into Madison Guaranty and the Whitewater

They accused Mrs Clinton of destroying, perhaps illegalsome records of her work for Madison, and two of her partners - Vincent Foster and Webster Hubbell - of imAlan Shearer celebrates the penalty that opened the scoring and kept up his record of a goal in every match

# 4-1 triumph sees England through

# **Blair to** shift policy on workers' rights

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By JILL SHERMAN CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

FONY BLAIR is heading for a further confrontation with trade unions after signalling that a Labour government would not increase workers' riehts.

Addressing German busi-nessmen in Bonn last night, the Labour leader heralded a radical shift in the party's employment policy by saying that unions and workers would not be guaranteed extra protection under Labour.

We need to rethink the whole of our philosophy in relation to the labour market," Mr Blair told the German employers' organisation, BD1. He said that he would support moves to boost competitiveness rather than increase regulation, and called for "an entirely new" economic approach - open markets and education and welfare reforms - if Europe was not to be

Mr Blair used the rest of his speech to give an assurance hat Labour would initiate a fresh start" in relations with the EU, in which Britain would be "walking tall in Europe, not skulking on the sidelines".

A policy paper to be pub-lished later this week is expected to drop a commitment made by John Smith to introduce equal rights for full-time

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Democrats said that the 14month investigation had found no misconduct or abuse of power by the President or his wife. The Republicans, it said, had hammered evidence into the precast mould of their conclusions. "Every act is portrayed in its most sinister light, every failure of recollection is treated as though the standard for human experience is total recall,"

But Alfonse d'Amato, the committee chairman, mocked Administration witnesses for

The report's Washington phase said that after the Clintons reached the White House, senior Administration officials improperly obtained inside information on supposedly independent federal invesogations into Madison and passed that information to the White House which then

football championship last night with a consummate 4-1 victory over Holland at Wembley and now meet Spain on Saturday for a place in the last four.

recent weeks, England revived memories of their 1966 World Cup triumph by finishing top of their preliminary group and

against fox and deer-hunting.

Former chef cooks up £70m profit in two years

BY JOHN GOODBODY

AND ADRIAN LEE

ENGLAND swept into the

quarter-finals of the European

also scoring the most goals in any match so far.

However, the single Dutch goal prevented Scotland qualilying for the next round. Scotland could only beat Switzerland I-O at Villa Park with a goal from Ally McCoist and were climinated on the num-ber of goals scored. Holland now meet France, who won

their group, at Anfield on Saturday and the remaining quarter-finalists will be decided tonight. At Wembley, Alan Shearer

and Teddy Sheringham each scored twice as England out-played the Dutch for long spells of the easiest and most pleasing victory in Terry Venables's two-and-a-halfyear reign as England coach. Patrick Kluivert replied for Holland in the 78th minute. The one jarring note for England was that Paul Ince was booked for the second time in the competition and will miss the quarter-final.

Many of the 15,000 Dutch supporters, dressed in orange

shirts, shorts, boiler suits and and part-time workers from policeman's helmets made of the first day of employment. orange plastic, had spent the The Labour leadership is still day happily drinking in London's West End. negotiating with trade union leaders.

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The paper, entitled Building prosperity -- flexibility. effici-ency and fairness at work, will There was also none of the trouble between rival fans that had scarred the last meeting between the two countries, when England lost 2-0 in a cover Labour's revised position on trade union rights and World Cup qualifying match in 1993 and 1,100 English recognition while ensuring '៣កែភៃហោបភា supporters were deported.

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Social services are to rehouse the man, who is in his 70s. He lold the police that he had eaten well and asked the officers for a newspaper. He told the policeman who gave him a paper: "I am sorry to cause you any bother."

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escorted him from the flat.



past four months. The RSPCA said it was celebrate 2000 will go ahead in Greenwich. The Government ended months of speculation that the event might have to be of stagnant recruitment. It scrapped because of insuffisaid it was legally powerless cient private sector cash ..: Pages 2, 21 under the terms of its charitabacking ...

BY MICHAEL HORNSBY, COUNTRYSIDE CORRESPONDENT THOUSANDS of field sports ble status to exclude the new entrants despite its anti-blood

sports policy. A similar strategy has been used successfully in recent years by anti-hunting crusaders to infiltrate the National Borrowing the tactics of its foes, the 88,000-member Brit-ish Field Sports Society said yesterday that 3,000 support-Trust and embarrass its leadership by winning support for resolutions calling for hunting to be banned on Trust land. ers had joined Britain's oldest The RSPCA is vulnerable to and most influencial animal uch tactics because it has only welfare pressure group in the 29,000 fee-paying members with voting rights; most of its

annual income of £38 million alarmed by a dramatic incomes from legacies and donacrease in membership from the hunting lobby after years tions from more than 300,000 non-voting supporters. The new entrants will have

a first chance to flex their muscles at the RSPCA's annual general meeting at Church House in London on Saturday, when a motion reaffirming the society's opposition to hunting will be debated. However, only a few joined in time to acquire voting rights this vear

The long-term aim is to influence RSPCA policy by electing to the charity's 25strong executive council people who are sympathetic to the role of field sports in conserving wildlife and the countryside.

The RSPCA has ordered branches to assess the infiltration. It concedes that at least t,000 people have joined, but insists there will be no change in its anti-hunting stance.

Despite all their troubles of

#### Arndale resident slept through bomb blast 1500 m By KATE ALDERSON



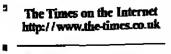
explosion.

AN elderly and partly deaf man emerged from the wreckage of the bombed Arndale Centre in Manchester yester-day after apparently sleeping through the terrorist explosion that devastated the city centre.

The man, who lives in a block of flats within the complex, had flu and had taken to his bed on Saturday morning. He spent three days in his sickbed, skeping and occa-sionally waking to have some-fning to eat while 80.000 people around him were evacnated. He had no idea that he had survived a 1.5-tonne IRA bomb that detonated almost on his doorstep.

At 4pm yesterday, the police believe, the man finally looked out of his still intact window

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Inn chef, was yesterday toasting £70 million he made by selling the Magic Pub Company to Greene King, the East Anglian brewers, for nearly E200 million. It was the second time in three years that Mr Cannon, 55, had achieved business success. In 1993 he netted £26

BY ALASDAJR MURRAY

MICHAEL CANNON, formerly a Berni

million by selling Devenish, his first pub company. After that he spent a year on "gardening leave" before deciding two years ago that he wanted a fresh challenge. He started his new company after buying about 300 run-down Chef

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and Brewer pubs.

# names as the Rat and Parrot. Hungry

Phillip Snook, managing director of the company, said: "When we bought the pubs they were in a fair state of decay. We wanted to create something slightly over the top, often painting them in outlandish colours to give a signal to customers that they had changed." Mr Cannon had considered floating the

chain on the stock market but decided to nd Brewer pubs. He invested around £12 million in the potential buyers. The pubs, attractively

sited in London and the South East. earned £13 million last year on a turnover of £83 million.

Mr Cannon first entered the pub business in 1975, investing E30,000 for a half share in the Naval Volunteer in Bristol. By 1993 his first company was also worth some £200 million.

The directors of the Magic Pub Company will stay on until control passes to Greene King in September. Mr Snook, who has worked with Mr Cannon in both his pub companies, said: "We haven't worked out exactly what we are going to do yet, but we certainly intend to get back into the leisure business."

Cannon: decided he Rights issue, page 28 needed a new challenge SPORT...... 45-50, 52 CHESS & BRIDGE......45 

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new company. Other directors took a 10 per cent holding and the City put up the rest of the money. The company set out to build up a series of highly individual chains. These included such now familiar

Horse and Pickled Newt

## **2 HOME NEWS**

# All the fun of the fair from those prepared to chance their arms

Prime Minister's Ques-tions is a sort of lucky dip. Plunge your arm into this tub of sawdust between 3.15 and 3.30, and you may come up with everything - or nothing. It could be a trinket or a puzzle. ft could be a child's Bible or a potent stinkbomb. Few of the Questions relate to the Premier's responsibilities. No sequential logic links them, no common thread save the politician's perennial itch for attention. They get it while they can and how they can. Some seek

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cerned events after the White

House deputy counsel's sui-cide in 1993 when he was

working on Whitewater. The report stated that after

learning of Mr Foster's death.

Mrs Clinton swiftly "dispatched her trusted lieuten-

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to help the Prime Minister. others to hurt. Some seek promotion, others are careless of career. Some hope to do good in the world, others only to amaze - or amuse. Roger Berry (Lab, Kingswood) amused. Did Mr Major

realise, he asked, that when he said he had "had a bellyful of the Tory Party", he spoke for the nation? Tony Blair offered what Jan Morris has called the smile of an ageing collie. Major flashed his tee-hee grin. Plunging back into the saw-dust we emerged with

PeterAinsworth (C. Surrey E) who looks like a superior kind of caddie. Ainsworth seeks office. Did the PM realise, he wondered, that "more and more people in Germany wish their economy was run like ours?" Everybody laughed.

which was not the effect Mr Ainsworth intended. What next? Tony Blair asked a couple of sorrowful, grown-up questions about Sinn Fein, which was exactly the effect Mr Blair had intended.

In three minutes we had

MATTHEW PARRIS POLITICAL SKETCH

moved from the state of the Conservative Party, to the state of the economy, to the future of Ireland. Now Ken Livingstone (Lab, Brent E) put in a late bid to boost the chances of the Communist candidate in the Russian presidential elections. Hold your breath, Moscow; hang on there in, Gennadi Zyuganov;

#### Ken's on his way! Mr Livingstone wanted Mr Major to stop Boris Yeltsin hogging the Russian State media. The

Prime Minister did not undertake to do this. Our lucky dip lady, Betty Boothroyd, called Andrew Welsh (SNP, Angus E) hoping us to discuss Monday night's Panorama with Mr Major. "

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don't waste my ome watching nonsense on Panorama." grinned the PM. Conversation stalled. Back to the tub.

Up popped Michael Brown (C. Brigg & Cleethorpes), anxious to convey to Mr Major the urgent desire of Cleethorpes for the miracle of closed-circuit television. Mr Brown was also (but secretly) anxious to coney to Cleethorpes the miracle of Mr Brown. The PM shared our wonder at the miracle of Mr Brown, but could make no promises about CCTV.

Next from the sawdust came

something earnest. Bob Lith-erland (Lab. Manchester Central) speaks seldom at PM's Questions, but always sincere-

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ly. He was worried about compensation for injury and damage after last weekend's explosion in Manchester. Major gave a detailed answer about who was, and who was nul, covered, and how to apply to an insurance company. ti was 3.29. The German economy, Major's bellyful of

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hold? "Question 5, Sir Michael Neubert," called the Chair, Sir Michael (C Romford) offered an admiring obituary of Sir Fitzroy Maclean, the reputed model for James Bond. The PM concurred. MPs cheered. Say what you like about our Parliament but it amuses and entertains without straining the capacities of its actors or its audience beyond the natural limits of either. There are worse formulae.

Private sector pays up for 2000 festival

By ALEXANDRA FREAN MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

THE Government confirmed yesterday that the Millennium Exhibition will go ahead, ending months of speculation that the event might have to be scrapped because of insufficient private-sector backing. Virginia Bottomley, the Heritage Secretary, said that the Millennium Commission, which has already pledged £200 million towards the yearlong extravaganza, had now received sufficient support from the private sector for work to begin on the exhibition site in Greenwich. The exhibition at Greenwich will go ahead and the country can look forward to a celebration of which the country can be very proud indeed," she said. It is understood that the commission, which is chaired by Mrs Bottomley, has now received firm pledges of support worth around £50 million, and "probable or possible" commitments worth more than £100 million from a number of leading British companies.

Last week British Airways BAA and the Corporation of London pledged backing worth between £16 millionand E20 million. Other backs ers are thought to include Rea BT. GEC. London Electricity

and Glaxo. British Airways will new take a lead role in getting the event off the ground. Robert -Ayling, BA's chief executive. has agreed to chair a new company, which is to be

tormed to set the exhibition

# **Blair unites with** Major to intensify pressure on Adams

BY PHILIP WEBSTER, POLITICAL EDITOR, AND NICHOLAS WATT

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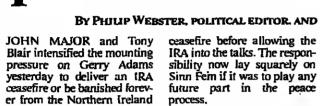
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relayed through a New York lawyer and confidante named JOHN MAJOR and Tony Susan Thomases - Bernard Nussbaum, the White House Blair intensified the mounting pressure on Gerry Adams yesterday to deliver an tRA counsel, and Maggie Williams, Mrs Clinton's chief of ceasefire or be banished forevstaff, searched Mr Foster's er from the Northern Ireland office, removed sensitive peace process. Whitewater documents, and

thwarted police and federal investigations of Mr Foster's death "at every turn". The report said: "The actions of these senior White House officials constitute a highly improper pattern of deliberate misconduct." The Republicans also accused Mr Nussbaum, Ms Williams and Ms Thomases of perjuring themselves in their subsequent testimony to the comminee "in order to conceal Mrs Clinton's pivotal role".

Finally, the report dealt with last year's mysterious discovery in the White House private quarters of Mrs Clinton's legal billing records. These showed not only the work Mrs Clinton had done for Madison, but linked her for the first time to the Castle Grande deal. When the records were subpoenaed in 1993, the White House said

they were missing. Mrs Clinton has denied knowing where they were in the interim, or how they could have reached the so-called Book Room where they were found, but the report concluded: "Mrs Clinton is more likely than any other known individual to have placed the records in the Book Room."



With President Clinton and Dublin telling Mr Adams that he must halt the men of violence or face political isolation, the Prime Minister and Labour leader united to warn the Sinn Fein president that

the "moment of truth" had the people." arrived for him. Mr Major London came as John Bruton, said: "The time has come for Sinn Fein to make up its mind, the trish Prime Minister, chal-Either it's going to be a lenged Mr Adams to say democratic organisation takwhether he had called on the ing part in democratic politics, IRA to restore its ceasefire and or it is going to stay as the to make clear whether he still reverse coin of the IRA, with supported the IRA's armed intermingled membership. in struggle. Although Dublin de-

which case it has no part in democratic politics." Mr Major stressed that for maintain a channel of commu-Sinn Fein to enter talks, the made plain that Mr Adams's IRA must call an "unequivocal ceasefire immediately and

show it is credible, it is lasting clearly have an impact on and is not just a tactical further contact. device" Mr Blair, who had told Mr in a statement that Sinn Fein's Major in advance of his intenanswers would have to be

"genuine and convincing, nol tactical or scmantical". Mr tion to raise Northern Ireland with him at Ouestion Time in the Commons, was deter-mined to make plain to Sinn Bruton broke off ministerial contact with Sinn Fein after Fein and the IRA that in the London Docklands bomb Government he would take as attack in February. tough a line. He said the Senior Irish sources had "appalling outrage" in been optimistic until last week Manchester demonstrated the that the IRA would declare a

sponse to the Manchester blast and the shooting of a policeman in Co Limerick show that he feels deeply let down by republicans. The unprecedented pressure

He said the only course from the Irish Government on open to Sinn Fein was to Sinn Fein drew an angry response from Mr Adams, ensure the IRA ceased viowho said it was "discourteous" lence: "If it cannot or won't, of ministers to put questions to then this process should prohis party via the media. He ceed with the democratic pardeclined to say whether he had ties, an agreement should be reached and put to a ballot of asked the IRA to restore its ceasefire, However, he came The display of unity in close to distancing Sinn Fein from IRA violence when he was asked on Irish Radio whether he supported the "armed struggle"

Mr Adams said: "We're not involved in it and we do not advocate it. We clearly are a party which has suffered as a result of the armed actions of others and our focus has been. and will continue to be, the total end of all armed actions." Mr Adams's comments do not indicate that Sinn Fein is about to split from the IRA, but they underline Sinn Fein's insistence that it is distinct from the IRA.

Andrew Hunter, the chairman of the Conservative Northern Ireland Backbench Committe, called on John Major and John Bruton last night to hold a security summt in the light of the IRA bombing of Manchester.

\$1m faces agonising decision BY RICHARD DUCE A BRITISH tourist who is pursuing a ground-breaking

damages action in the American courts still suffers coostaot pain and has counselling four years after being shot by a mugger in Miami. Patricia Shurben, 40, could

be awarded up to \$1 million (£660,000) if she succeeds in her fight to prove that her rental car's number plate made her a target for the muggers. Their .45 bullet missed her spine by the width of a thumbnail and is still lodged in her left shoulder. Earlier this week the Flori-

da Court of Appeal gave her permission to sue the car-hire company and the lour operator which, she claims, failed to warn her of the risks of driving the car.

Last night her lawyer, George Mustakas, who prac-tises in London and Florida, said: "She can bave the bullet removed and risk losing the use of her arms or keep the bullet inside her and live in constant pain."

Miss Shurben, from Weston-super-Mare, was shol in 1992 after she and a friend inadvertently drove into a violent area of Miami. They were confronted by three muggers and Miss Shurbeo was wounded as her friend escaped by swerving the car around the gang. A family friend of Miss Shurben said Huot for bombers, page 5 Simon Jenkins, page 20 grave injustice that there was



no warning that the rental car a jury in the Florida District plates made her an obvious Court, although Virgin and target for attack in some areas Lunn Poly are contesting the decision. Miss Shurben is to of Miami. Her life has been devastated by this incident." ask for punitive damages Rental cars in Florida no as well as an award for longer carry the distinctive negligence.

Mr Mustakas said it was Miss Shurben is suing Doldecided to pursue the case in lar car hire at Miami airport, Florida because the "English system is not consumer-orientated. This is a ground-breaking action. The defendants argue that there is no duty to that she can take action warn in common law." against the companies before

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John Redwood, the leading

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#### BY PHILIP WEBSTER, POLITICAL EDITOR

BRITAIN'S most senior diplomat in Brussels gave warning yeslerday that Europe's patience was wearing thin over failed to reach a deal in Italy. the non-cooperation campaign in pursuit of an end to the ban on beef exports. Sir Stephen Wall, the permremm from Florence empty-

anent representative to the European Union, appeared to suggest that the rest of Europe might try to bypass Britain's policy of vetoing EU measures, if it continued after the European summit this weekend in Florence. He told a Commons committee: "If it days before the meeting of the isn't resolved then the other heads of government, that is member states and the Comwhen the negotiation gets mission will turn to how they toughest." can maintain what they see as legitimate business." There that the Government's tactics

was "muttering but no specific threat yet", he said. Sir Stephen spoke after Malcolm Rifkind, the Foreign Secretary, acknowledged that a deal might not be possible at the summit. There was now no

net minister, insisted that chance of reaching agreement there could be no backing before the EU heads of govdown. "As the Government ernment assembled in Florhas chosen to use this particuence on Friday, he said. lar tactic, all it can do is keep Amid signs of strengthening its word, it would be very bad for its complete negotiation opposition on the Condnent to moves to lift the ban, imposed position if it backed away."

after fears were raised over the possible risk to humans from

**Blair** policy Continued from page 1 standards" for workers. It will make clear that a Labour Government would not repeal the main planks of the Tories' trade union legislation. "Of course, there must be BSE. Mr Rifkind gave warnminimum standards of fair ing that the non-cooperation treatment at work but the best strategy would continue if it

long-term protection a modern employee can have is to be equipped to succeed, " he said. Tory Euro-sceptics say that John Major would do better to "Governments should regulate labour markets in a way handed than with a "fudge" that contained no clear which maximises both the incentive to employ and the nmescale for lifting the ban. Mr Rifkind said: "Even if the incentive to work." Trade unions reacted cautiously last night, saying they Florence summi1 doesn't prove to be successful, that is would wait until Friday to see the policy paper. But an not the end of the world. 1 think there is a good chance of official from the general workit but inevitably in the last few ers' union, the GMB, warned

Mr Blair against dropping the Smith policy on employers' rights. On Europe, Mr Blair said: "It is demeaning to my coun-

try, that is so rightly proud of its history and traditions, to be reduced to the margins of influence, dragged along querulously behind the vision and drive of others." Labour would fight the next election on a strongly pro-European ticket despite the electoral risks.

Michael Heseltine, the Deputy Prime Minister, responded by accusing Mr Blair of "selling Britain short" and seeking a European "love-in".

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up. Mr Ayling said he hoped the exhibition would attract tourists from overseas and other parts of Britain and help the economic regeneration of the Greenwich peninsula. The plans are the most advanced of any celebrations in the world to mark the new millennium and will produce

an event of lasting significance and international stature for Britain," he said. Sir Bob Scott, chief executive

of the Greenwich Millennium Trust, said: "This is what the people of Greenwich and London have been waiting so long for, the green light to turn a derelict, contaminated site into a world beating exhibition. for the millennium."

News that the funding has been secured follows weeks of bard lobbying by the deputy Prime Minister Michael Heselnine, who is also a member of the commission, and Sir Peter Levene, the efficiency adviser to the Prime Minister, who has been employed by the commission to drum up business funding for the exhibition.

Dr Jack Cunningham, the Shadow Heritage Secretary, said that there were still serious questions about. whether sufficient private sector funding had been confirmed and whether the event would be ready to open on January I, 2000, as planned. The Government has left the organisers short of time and

### Blair courted, page 14 Leading article. page 21 money," he said.

Families left out of victim scheme

BY RICHARD FORD HOME CORRESPONDENT

be piloted in six police force areas - Metropohtan. Hamp-FAMILIES of the victims of murder and manslaughter shire. Merseyside, Sussex, are to be excluded from Lancashire and Bedfordshire. Michael Howard, the Home Secretary, unveiled the proposals unveiled yesterday that will give victims of crime a greater influence in the proposals yesterday when he criminal justice system. launched a revised Victims' Charter aimed at improving They will be barred from giving written statements, exthe Ireatment of victims withplaining how the killing has in the criminal justice system. affected their lives, for use Mr Howard said: "The during criminal proceedings. statement will be considered by all those in the criminal The victims of other crimes. justice system dealing with a including attempted murder. grievous bodily harm and case." He insisted that the domestic burglary, will give a victims would not be allowed statement to be considered by to say what charge should be brought or recommend the police, the Crown Prosecution Service and judges. sentence to be passed. in three of the pilot areas

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others the victims will be allowed to write their own Statements

The plans have already run into opposition from the judiciary, some of whom who have serious misgivings about the legal implications of allowing victims to write their own statements. They have argued with the Home Office that any statement must meet the evidential requirements of the legal system.

The decision to bar families of murder and manslaughter victims from the new scheme was criticised by the Victim Support charity. Helen Reeves, its director, said: "We are very concerned that some of the most vulnerable victims are being excluded from these plans to improve the information they receive and the

opportunities to provide details about how crime has affected them".

Mr Howard defended the decision. "Once you extend the notion of victims being other than the actual victim. you will get into a very extended area. It is not just the families of victims of homicide who suffer as a result of crime."

Harry Fletcher, assistant general secretary of the National Association of Probation Officers, said Mr Howard's plans were impractical. "The seriousness of the offeoce determines the nature of the sentence. Michael Howard's victim statements are an attempt to influence that decision. Judges are highly unlikely to allow that to happen."

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From left: Claire Callot, from Provence, in a hat strewn with roses, Mrs Israel Kristensen, fresh as a daisy, Patti Wong, from Japan, in a striking ballerina creation and Amanda Fox in petal-covered pyramid

#### BY GRACE BRADDERDY STYLE EDITOR

FLOWERS were a popular theme at Ascot yesterday, adoming some of the most striking hats in the Royal Enclosure

Claire Callot, 20, from Provence, who was attending Ascot for the first time, wore a hat covered in roses, which she bought in Paris.

While many racegoers opted for conservative straw hats with wide ribbons, the more extreme millinery was created by lesser known deAscot racegoers let summer go to their heads signers. Amanda Jones, 33, wore an extraordinary cone of ruched fabric, designed by Mui Lee. They had both been students at the London College of Fashion.

When the royal carriages The warm weather encourdrove through shortly after aged a large attendance, with 20m it was noticed that the 45,355 people watching the St Prince of Wales was wearing James's Palace Stakes, a 9 per a lilae shirt with a white cent increase on last year. For collar. This created instant the first time armed police interest: was it correct? Prepatrolled the entrances and sumably so, given the colour-

the Royal Enclosure as a

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fut crowd in the Royal Enclosure.

after the Manchester bomb. Andrew Parker Bowles, One sartorial talking point with his elegant second wife, was provided by a man. Rosemary, mingled with the wives of lesser-known pop stars, and many people who would not be known for anything much at all. Rosemary Parker Bowies wore an elegant pale lemon suit but other women made up for her restraint with outfits that ful-

filled expectations for overthe top fashion.

Isabeli Kristensen, a Danish designer who is making a name for herself in London, wore one of her own creations, a yellow suit with an enormous daisy hat.

Among the best dressed were the Honourable Mrs Waley-Green in an enormous white hat by Philip Treacy and Patti Wong, a Hong were more conservative. The

Kong socialite, who wore a Thierry Mughler suit and a distinctive ballerina-style hat. Some of the most elegant women wore the simplest outfits. Sandra Howard, accompanying her husband, the Home Secretary, said that her black-and-white suit was "homemade" but she might have been joking. Others in the royal party

Queen wore a lavender, floral ensemble.

caused a frisson of excitement when she arrived with a young man on her arm. His vealed him to be Harry

brother. Miss Legge-Bourke wore a red shift dress and matching hat.

The Queen Mother, who will be 96 in August, delighted crowds at Ascot yesterday by refusing to let her advancing years interfere with her life ong passioo for the turf (Alan Hamilton writes). She trav-elted from the royal box to the paddock in what has become the trademark transport of her later years, a battery-driven golf buggy,

> Fashion, page 18 Racing, page 46-47



By JOANNA BALE

AN ARMED rapist dragged a 6-year-old girl from her boyfriend at gunpoint as they strolled through a Hampshire wood. The boyfriend managed to raise an alarm and the man



### Woman in **Rape-case jury shown secret video** sex change jailed for blackmail

A TRANSSEXUAL who tried to extort £5 million from Harrods was jailed for eight years at the Old Bailey yester-day. Lydie Banot, 41, threatened to release mice into the food hall, spread food poisoning in the restaurants and put fleas in the clothes departthe Christmas rush. Banot, who was born male, pleaded guilty to three charges of conspiring to demand money with menaces. Brian Altman, for the prosecution, told the court that Banot had formed a grudge against the store because, she claimed, she had been scarred by electrolysis treatment to remove facial hair in the beauty salon. and also patrolled Manor In a letter addressed per-Lodge Road and Havant Road, which border the area. sonally to Mohammed Al Fayed, the Harrods chair-Describing the boyfriend's actions as commendable, Mr man, last November, Banot had demanded that £5 million Kingman said: "He tried as best he could to keep an eye on be placed in a Swiss bank his girlfriend, but bearing in account. The store's security mind he had been threatened department, led by John Macnamara, a retired detective with a gun and a knife, it is chief superintendent in the quite understandable that it might have been difficult for Serious Fraud Squad, called in police who monnted an him to follow quite closely. He did the next best thing which operation to foil Banot's extortion attempt. Shani Barnes, for Banot, of Police officers and social workers were interviewing the Walthamstow, east London, said she had a sex-change operation in 1993 and was girl yesterday afternoon to try to piece together precise details of the attack. Detectives suffering from a gender identity disorder, which had appealed for witnesses, particularly the man with the terrier caused her massive physical and mental suffering and was Havant Thicket is owned by not to be confused with transvestism. Banot's demand for the Forestry Commission and is popular with ramblers as £5 million was clearly ridicuwell as dog walkers. The Staunton Way long-distance lous and was a cry for help for acknowledgement of years of Kathleen Edmonds, a pen-Judge Forrester said Banot had run a "sustained and sophisticated" campaign to sioner who lives near the woods, said: "t have lived here blackmail Harrods, which for 41 years and the area has was vulnerable to such atgradualty declined as housing tacks, and only a custodial "People using the woods get their cars broken into and the sentence was appropriate: "If it were otherwise like-minded local children are always causpeople might he more inclined to follow in your footsteps and any such inclination must be deterred."

#### BY A STAFF REPORTER

A JURY watched a videotape yesterday of a 16-year-old girl allegedly being raped by the model agency boss Peter Martin in his office. The nine men and three women on the jury at Manchester Crown Court. where Mr Martin faces 16 sex charges, sat impassively as they watched the 24-minute tape, said to have been filmed secretly by Mr Martin.

The girl was heard saying "No" several times as Mr Martin. 56, began to have sex with her on a couch at the Model Team International Agency. Each time she said it, Mr Martin retorted "Why?"

Mr Martin 'and his co-defendant, Tracey Grainey, 30, his former assistant,

had screens next to them in the dock but did not watch the video. Much of the soundtrack was confused by the sound of a film, Carry On - Follow That Camel. playing on the television in Mr Martin's office in Manchester.

Mr Martin, of Sale, pleads not guilty to raping eight young women, six indecent assaults and two charges of taking indecent photographs of girls under 16. Miss Grainey, of Atherton, Greater Manchester, denies four indecent assaults on young women, three of them jointly with Mr Martin.

The alleged rape victim, Miss B, now 29. was allowed to leave court while the film was shown. Earlier MIss B. who had joined the agency at the age of 14 and later

worked there, told how she was first raped by him after being driven to his home shortly after her sixteenth birthday, while she was still at school.

She said that Mr Martin had sex with her six or seven more times over about eight months, but she had not been willing on any occasion. She said she had continued at the model agency because she thought she should act "as if everything was all right".

She left the agency after a dispute with Mr Martin about not taking a message at the reception desk, where she worked after leaving school. She was also concerned, she said, about the attention he was giving her sister, then aged 10 or 11. The trial was adjourned until today.

print dress, Princess Margaret a pale blue suit and Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother wore a turquoise green floral Alexandra Legge-Bourke badge, however, re-

Legge-Bourke, her younger

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managed to escape. Yesterday detectives said

they had not ruled out a possible link between the rape and four similar attacks on courting couples in woodland 25 miles away.

in the latest incident, the man armed with a handgun and a knife approached the couple near a lake at Havant Thicket, near Havant, on Monday evening. Despite being threatened, the 28-yearold boyfriend tried to follow the girl and the gunman at a distance through dense undergrowth, but lost sight of them and ran off to telephone police. Officers spotted the attacker, but he ran off as his victim ran towards them.

More than 50 police officers, some equipped with nightvision goggles, spent until the early hours of yesterday searching the four square miles of woods for the attacker. A spotter plane and a helicopter with thermal-imaging equipment were also used in the hunt, without success.

The man was described as dark-haired, 6ft tall, in his 20s and scruffily dressed in a German military-style black and white striped camouflage jacket and jeans.

Police said there were no positive links" with between the rape and cases at Farley Mount, Winchester, but they were keeping an open mind. In the earlier attacks, a man wearing a camouflaged jacket and armed with a handgun also singled out courting couples in secluded country areas. In an April attack which featured on BBCI's Crimewatch programme, the man

threatened a couple with a pistol, blindfolded them, tied



Police searched Havant Thicket until early yesterday

them up, then dragged a 16year-old girl into his car and drove off. He released her after sexually assaulting her in a lay-by.

Detective Chief Inspector Neil Kingman of Hampshire police said Monday's victim "extremely distressed" was but it was hoped that the couple would return to the wood to help to establish the

exact location of the incident. He said: "They were ap-proached by this individual was to summon the police." carrying a handgun and a knife. The individual told the boyfriend to clear off while he took the girl away to another part of the woods. The boyfriend followed as best he could at a discrete distance. bearing in mind that the assailant had a gun and a

knife - that's pretty frightening for anybody. At some stage he lost track of them. He then tried to summon help from a footpath runs through it. man walking a terrier dog. then went to a telephone box and dialled 999. The man was actually seen

by officers while they were searching the area. They came across the girl, who ran 10 the officers. At the same time, the assailant fled into another part of the woods."

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Janet Murgatroyd

#### CRIME CORRESPONDENT DETECTIVES investigating the murder of a woman found

By Stewart Tendler

floating in a river discovered yesterday that she was one of their own clerks. Janet Murgatroyd, 20, a clerk at Lancashire police headquarters in Preston, was

found in the River Ribble in Preston, naked and beaten about the head and face. Miss Murgatroyd, who lived with her mother, worked at night for the crime reports bureau. She recently completed her first year of part-time study for

Detective Superintendent Graham Gooch said Miss Murgatrovd had a broken jaw a law degree at the University

to the riverbank.

of Central Lancashire and had and was badly beaten but not sexually assauhed. She had taken the job to fund her not been in the water very long

and was almost certainly dead Police are trying to trace a couple seen arguing early last when she entered the river. Sunday in gardens close to the He said: "The fact that this river and the area where Miss victim worked for the force Murgatroyd lived in makes it especially traumatic for her colleagues, but we Penwortham, near Preston, A must deal with it with the woman dressed like Miss Murgatroyd was later seen in same determination as any other murder hunt.\* a distressed state on the bridge

Superintendent Karen Hives said: "She was a determined and confident young woman who knew her way in life. We have had to make sure that those who were closest to Janet have not had to handle the case."

SECOND-HAND TOBACCO SMOKE IN PERSPECTIVE

# Life always involves some risks. You need to decide which ones are important.

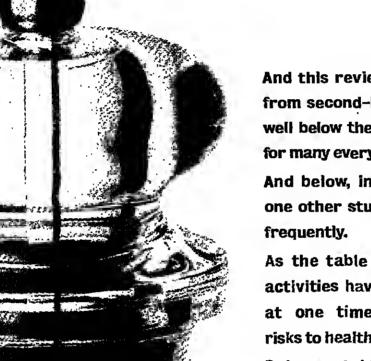
Almost every day, it seems that one thing or another has been discovered to be some kind of health risk.

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And below, in fact, the risk to health that one other study reported for eating pepper frequently.

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But reputable scientists say that weak associations aren't necessarily meaningful.

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But what about second-hand tobacco smoke? Is it really a meaningful health risk to people who've chosen not to smoke?

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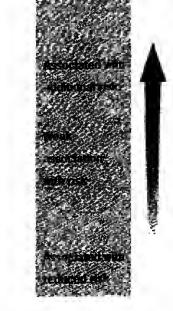
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Non-vegetarian v vegetarian diet	3.08	Heart disease	Journal of the National Cancer Institute, Vol. 85, p.1906 (1993) American Journal of Clinical Nutrition, Vol. 31, p. \$191 (1978)
Frequently cooking with rapeseed oil	2.80	Lung cancer	International Journal of Cancer, Vol. 40, p. 604 (1987)
Drinking 1-2 glasses of whole milk per day	1.62	Lung cancer	International Journal of Cancer, Vol. 43, p. 608 (1989)
Eating one biscuit a day	1.49	Heart disease	Lancet, Vol. 341, p. 581 (1993)
Drinking chlorinated water	1.38	Rectal cancer	American Journal of Public Health, Vol. 82, p. 955 (1992)
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High vegetable diet	0.37	Lung cancer	International Journal of Epidemiology, Vol. 25, Suppl. 1, p. 32 (1996)
High fruit diet	0.31	Lung cancer	American Journal of Epidemiology, Vol. 133, p. 683 (1991)

Relative risk measures how much consuming, or being exposed to something, raises or lowers risk.

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Second-hand tobacco smoke. Let's keep a sense of perspective.



# WPC tells of decision to evacuate **bomb** store

#### By KATE ALDERSON

THE Manchester policewoman who discovered the lorry containing the tRA bomb spoke yesterday of her fear as she decided, on her own initiative, to evacuate Marks & Spencer.

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PC Wendy McCormick, 34, was on rounne pairol in the city centre that morning when she was told over her radio about the bomb warning. Within minutes, she had located the bomb outside Marks & Spencer. The vehicle was the only one in the area.

I was frightened to death. If in had exploded then I wouldn't be here to tell the tale. I just thought: it's got to be this one - let's evacuate. The radio was so busy t couldn't get through, so I took it on my own back to evacuate Marks & Spencer."

She ran in and set about getting shoppers and workers out. "It was an effort to stop people walking past me towards the van, but we did the best we could with 13 officers. 1 was trying not to swear at people and I was trying to stress that this one was real. She had realised her life was in danger and said to herself that she did not want to die just because "somebody won't finish their pizza and get out". By the time the bomb went off. she was behind the cor-

don. She was knocked off her feet, but not injured, and began helping the injured and distressed. She said: "I would never

have expected something that big. It was the most frightening thing I've had to deal with in ten years' service."

PC Gary Hartley, 29, joined her just after she discovered the van. He said: "I just couldn't believe that I was so close to such a threat. You think you're going to read about something like that in the oewspapers - it dido't seem real.

A picture of PC Vanessa Winstanley, 23, as she rescued a blood-soaked elderly woman, was seen by newspaper

not speaking. There was blood running from her head down her back and across her chest." PC Winstanley helped the woman into a pub, to wait for the emergency services.

The nearest police officer to the blast flamened himself in a recess in an alleyway as glass and masonry hailed down. Inspector Dave Comerford, 46. has been nicknamed "Lucky" by colleagues after emerging with only a nick to his right carlobe.

"There was an unbelievable noise and a blast of heat and compression." he said. "The next thing, the surrounding windows fell upon me. I had a half-inch covering of glass fragments on my head and shoulders."

Mr Comerford, who headed the officers initially evacuat ing the area, said it would have been "totally impractical" to move huge numbers of people any further from the bomb scene. "You are trying to move people who don't want to go. You have to push them back and then you threaten them. You have 80,000 people behind you trying to get into the city not believing anything is going to happen." Almost 100 people who lived

in the area that took the brunt of the explosion seem likely to lose their possessions. Authorities will not know until today if the Arndale building, where their flats are, will have to be demolished with their possessions still inside. Many occupants are not insured.

Manchester City Council has provided emergency shel-ter for the blast victims in a university conference centre. However, from today it will be needed by the university. Candy Shaw, 27, like many of the others, has only the clothes that she was wearing when they had to run for their lives. "On Saturday we were left with nowhere to go, and no money. Businesses are getting help, but nobody seems to be thinking about us.

The refugees had been given



Wendy McCormick, left, and Vanessa Winstanley were on duty in the city centre

# Terrorists may be pictured today

#### BY KATE ALDERSON

POLICE are hopeful of releasing descriptions of the Manchester bombers today after analysing hours of video colling and receiving scores of calls from the public. Colin Phillips. Assistant Chief Constable of Greater

Manchester Police, said that investigators might now know the face of the man who paid £2,000 in cash for the lorry used in Saturday's bombing. Detectives were sifting through masses of informarion and he expected to announce "significant dev-elopments". He added: "We are very hopeful we may have some descriptions of the

people Officers have received calls from members of the public with information about possible sightings along the route from Peterborough, where the

lorry was bought. "We are still examining a huge number of security vid-eos, but we can't confirm at this stage if we have sightings of the lorry all the way on its route from Peterborough to Manchester," Mr Phillips said. "We are hopeful that we may have caught the bombers on video and we are

sifting through a mass of material." Police are talking to everyone connected with the sale of the lorry and the transportation of the money used to buy the white Ford Cargo vehicle. Yesterday, detectives in Peterborough were still inter-viewing the dealer. Arthury Loveridge, of Eye, Cambridge-

unknown Irishman last Friday. A taxi driver who delivered the cash payment to Mr Loveridge's home was also still being interviewed. Mr Phillips, who will be in Peterbrough this afternoon to release more information about the bombers, said of the

two men being interviewed: "1 stress we are talking to them as witnesses only. "Hopefully we will have some sort of description, at least of the person who handed the money tu the taxi driver. The area immediately

around the bomb site was still cordoned off yesterday to allow police and forensic scientists to carry out a detailed search, but an outer cordon was lifted on Monday evening



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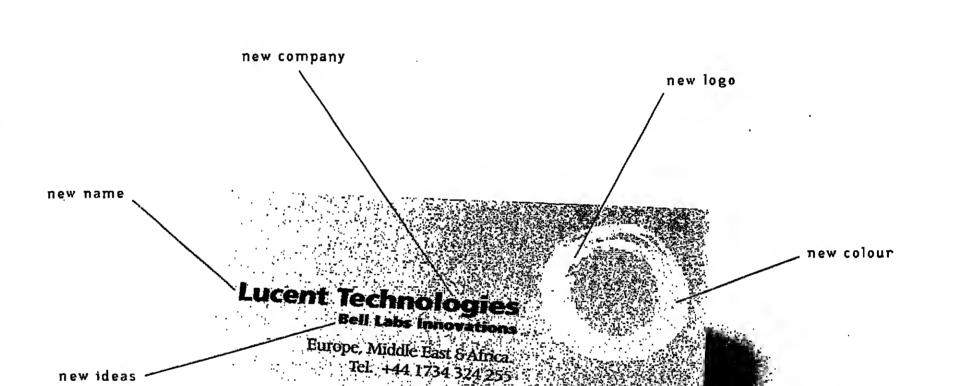
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shire, who sold the lorry to an

day. r Winstanley said: "Somebody came up to me and said there was a lady in a shop with head injuries. She was sitting on a chair, obviously in shock and

Binchenough, 47, said: "We have no money, no clothes, and nowhere to go." Simon Jenkins, page 20

new ideas

# The kissagrams who strip people of their dignity

#### By EMMA WILKINS

under threat from companies which breach the boundaries of good taste by humiliating their victims, it was claimed vesterday.

Vindictive requests from exwives and boyfriends, who want their former partners publicly embarrassed for as little as £25, should be rejected, directors of repotable kissagram companies say.

The warning comes after Gail Steele, a 44-year-old company director. claimed at an industrial tribunal that she suffered sexual discrimination when male colleagues hired a stippagram for her birthday. The hearing earlier this week was told that Ms Steele's colleagues asked for her to be blindfolded, handcuffed and bumiliated.

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The kissagrani industry. which came to Britain in the 1970s from America. is not governed by any regulations. The lack of rules means company directors should take responsibility for observing the bounds of good taste. according to Steve Ashford. 36, who runs KB Promotions, a kissagram company based



THE kissagram business is in Croydon. "The whole purpose of kissagrams is to provide fun at a party. If you end up upsetting someone, then that defeats the object.

"The other day I had a request from a woman who wanted a roly-poly strippagram [a fat naked woman] for her husband because they were getting divorced. She wanted to get her own back so I turned it down. I've had requests for pies to be thrown in people's faces or to be covered in shaving foam but it's not the sort of thing I want to get involved with. You end up with a bad reputation.

"A woman called me recent ly to say she had been in touch with another agency for a male stripper. She was offered a 75-year-old man. That sort of thing affects the reputation of the strippagram business."

Mr Ashford, who charges between £25 and £45 per kissagram, has 50 male and female employees. He also offers clowns for children's parties and singing telegrams for weddings. "There is nothing wrong with someone tak-ing their clothes off as long as the client is comfortable," he said. "If the client is not enjoying it, then a good stripper will know immed-

iately and stop." There are two main singing telegram companies in London, but between them they cover the Home Counties and parts of Kent and Sussex and there are kissagram agencies in all the main cities Earl Thomas, 28, the stripper hired by Ms Steele's

colleagues, has offered Ms Steele his apologies and now works in a fancy dress shop in Clapham, south London. He said: "I don't remember the lady in this case but I'm sorry if she was upset. I changed jobs hecause I'm getting too old for stripping."

Earl Thomas hired to humiliate employee

Nigella Lawson, page 19

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Dunblane killer's club 'like Hitler Youth'

# Shadow minister took his son away from Hamilton

#### BY GILLIAN BOWDITCH, SCOTLAND CORRESPONDENT

GEORGE ROBERTSON, the Shadow Scottish Secretary, removed his ten-year-old son from one of the Dunblane gunman's clubs because it was militaristic and resembled the Hitler Youth.

Mr Robertson, the MP for Hamilton, who has lived in Dunblane for more than 20 years, told Lord Cullen's inquiry vesterday of his ten-year banle to stop Thomas Hamilton operating boys clubs. The inquiry is investigating the events surrounding the massacre of 16 pupils and their teacher by Hamilton on March 13. Mr Robertson, who has two

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sons and a daughter, said that in 1983 his son Malcolm had started to anend Dunblane Rovers, a club run by Hamilton from the gymnasium of Dunhlane High School. It offered five-a-side football and symnastics at a time when there was linle for young boys

to do in the area. Initially Mr Robertson had no concerns about the club. Malcolm anended three or four times with some of his friends before missing an evening. Mr Robertson and his wife, Sandra, became alarmed when Hamilton wrote to their son after his one-week absence. The letter reprimanded the boy and asked for an explanation.

The letter cuncerned Mr

with another parent, he visited the club. The two men watched for 15 minutes Ihrough a glass door.

conducting themselves.

day demanding to know his reasons and wanting to speak to Malcolm

Mr Robertson said he became increasingly concerned that someone like Hamilton. "We were both struck very quickly by the bizarre nature with no qualifications, no of what was going on," Mr checkable background and no Robertson told the inquiry. credentials could lease a "There was a large number of school gym, use the equip-ment without supervision and be in charge of "an army of small boys in shorts, stripped to the waist, being bossed around by two or three nuddle-aged Men swaggering around in a very militaristic smali boys"

In 1983 he spoke to Michael Forsyth, now Secretary of State for Scotland but then a way. I've since described it as looking a bit like Hitler Youth. "They were marching about. There was something newly elected MP for the constituency, about his con-cerns. He said that as Mr sinister in the way they were Forsyth questioned him about Mr Robertson and the other the evidence he had against father both decided to with-Hamilton, he was aware that his arguments seemed weak. He said that he in no way

blamed Mr Forsyth for his cautious reaction at that stage. Mr Robertson said he continued to keep Mr Forsyth informed of Hamilton's

activities and sent him leaflets Hamilton posted through doors in Dunblane. When Hamilton took his grievences to the local government ombudsman and won his case against the Central Regional Council, forcing the council to renew his let of the school, Mr Robertson said he and his wife were in despair. He told Lord Cullen that the use of the school premises had

Hamilton: reprimanded MP's ten-year-old son

allowed to get past first base and use public premises, perhaps he would not have gained the same level of frustrated obsession he ultimately ended up in." he said. Mr Forsyth told the inquiry that he first met Hamilton in 1983. He had come to his surgery complaining that cer-

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spreading rumours about him which had led to the council refusing to lease him the school premises for his club. Initially Mr Forsyth felt Hamilton had a genuine grievence and this feeling was validated by the local government ombudsman's report which backed Hamilton. But over the years Hamilton had

bombarded Mr Forsyth with letters complaining about the Scouts, the council and the police. Mr Forsyth passed them on to the relevant authorities and started to change his views about Hamilton. who he said was clearly "not as straightforward as he first appeared",

Michael Forsyth, the Scottish Secretary, left, and his Labour Shadow George Robertson at the inquiry yesterday

The inquiry continues. The last letter to Mr Forsyth

NEWS IN BRIEF

Apology

for abuse

by priests

A senior member of the

Roman Catholic Church in

Ireland has apologised to

children who were sexually

abused by priests. Bishop Seamus Hagarty told a semi-nar in Londonderry that the abuse of children assumed a

more serious dimension when

profound regret that a very

small number of clergy has

offended in this way. I apolo-

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BY JOHN O'LEARY EDUCATION EDITOR

PUPILS of 14 face tougher tests in grammar, spelling and punctuation after a review of English assessment ordered by Gillian Shephard in her clampdown on "trendy teaching". The Education and Employ

inent Secretary acted yester-day after academics from Southampton University reported that secondary school pupils were learning more about grammar in foreign language lessons than in English. The researchers found a dramatic decline in the teaching of formal grammar.

Mrs Shephard has asked the School Curriculum and Assessment Authority to reexamine its tests at 14 to see that they "reflect the emphasis the curriculum puts on correct English". The revised national curriculum gives a higher priority to spelling, punctuanon and grammar, but ministers believe that only rigorous lesting will ensure schools implement the changes fully.

Any changes probably would not be introduced until 1998. Commenting on the research. Mrs Shephard said: "If children are to learn to express Ihemselves clearly and effectively and make full use of our wonderful language, they need to be taught how the English language works. This may seem a the others and Hamilton, who had argued his case with the ienacity of a terrier, had remarkably obvious message but it is one that sadly was lost sight of by the trendy leaching of the 1960s and 1970s."

# **Trapped hedgehogs** bale out of trouble

ported hundreds of miles inside a bale of hay. After more than a week, they were sponed by a girl who bought the hay from a pet shop to use for her

from Hamilton was dated

February II. 1996, a month

before the massacre. In retro-

spect. Mr Forsyth said, this

lener had a different tone to

seemed resigned to giving up

the fight.

rabbit's hutch. It is believed that the mother hedgehog and four new-born young were scooped up by a hav-baler in a field near Reading. Berkshire.

The bale was stacked on to a lorry and driven to a factory, where it was vacuum-packed inside a heavy plastic sack and left on a factory shelf for ten davs.

Later it was transported a

A FAMILY of hedgehogs sur-vived being racked, slacked, she must have been living on vacuum-packed and trans-the condensation that was caused by their breath inside

the plastic. The air had almost run out, and they would have been dead very soon. It is amazing that they have survived at all, a real triumph.

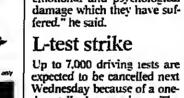
The family will be released into a protected garden once they have recovered from their ordeal.







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Wednesday because of a oneday strike by examiners. The pay strike, by 900 members of the Public Service. Tax and Commerce union. will be followed by a work-to-rule.

#### Algae hazard

The public has been banned from the largest natural lake in Wales because of toxic algae. The blue-green blooms, which can be lethal to animals, also closed Bala Lake in Snowdonia National Park last year.

#### Fatal prank

Leigh Morris, II. strangled himself while trying to amuse his younger sisters by swinging from a washing line. The children were in the care of a babysitter at their home in Caerohilly, Mid Glamorgan, when the accident happened.

### Bird overboard

Bert, the vulture that could not fly, has finally taken to the skies from a hot-air balloon. The year-old African vulture, unwilling to fly after being reared by humans, took off from above Whipsnade Wild Animal Park, Bedfordshire.

#### Cox's pipe-in

Firefighters prevented a gas explosion by plugging a frac-tured pipe with an apple. The pipe, in Stratford-upon-Avon, was damaged after a car crashed into a flat. A fireman took an apple from the rubble for the makeshift repair.

#### Queue jumpers

John Butcher. a Tory MP. urged ministers to convert the central reservation of the M6 into a picnic area and to allow jugglers and acrobats to perform there, to ease the stress of drivers caught in queues around Birmingham.

#### CORRECTION

John Abineri is the actor who portrays a butler in the Ferre-ro Rocher TV commercial, nol the late Preston Lockwood (obituary, May 22).

gise unreservedly to victims and their families for the hundred miles by lorry to a pet food shop in Southampton. where it was sold to 12-yearold Carin Anderson for her rabbit. The girl discovered the crea-

tures when she opened the bag at home. She contacted a wildlife rescuer, Dorothy Squires, who said: "It is the most extraordinary thing that any of the had survived. The

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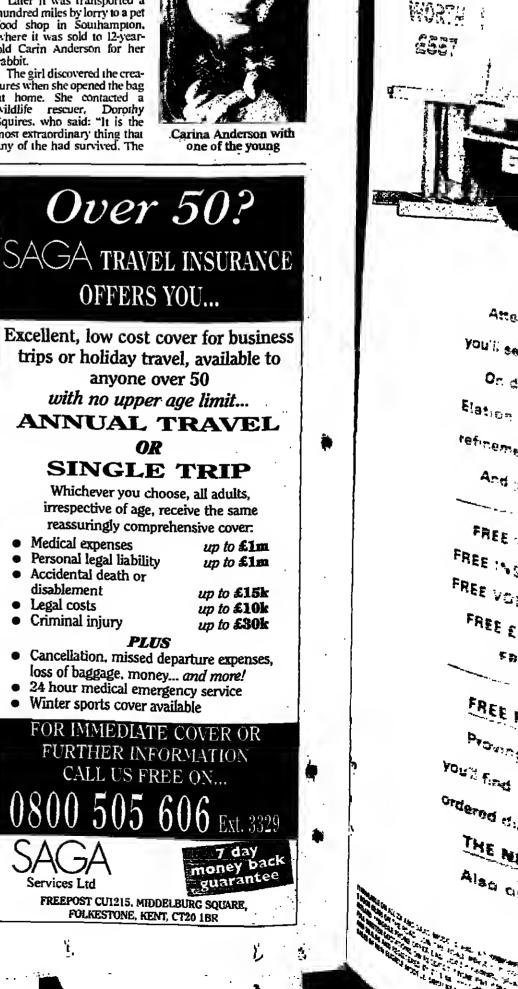
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### **HOME NEWS**

# Reform may spark divorce rush

BY FRANCES GIBB LEGAL CORRESPONDENT

A SURGE in divorce in the next two years was predicted by lawyers vesterday as separating couples rush to get to the courts before the Government's reforms, agreed in the Commons on Monday night. become law.

Although the Family Law Act will not take effect until January 1, 1999, officials intend to move swiftly to put a framework for testing the measures by this autumn. The Lord Chancellor's Depart-

BY FRANCES GIBB

THE divorce reforms agreed by MPs

represent the biggest shake-up since the Divorce Reform Act of 1969. They remove the notion of fault and scrap the "quickie"

□ The sole ground for divorce will be

"irretrievable breakdown". Couples will

not have to cite a reason, as now when 75

per cent cite fault-based grounds, such as

as adultery or unreasonable behaviour,

so as to avoid waiting two years to

divorce on grounds of separation (or five

years, if both do not agree).

within a year of their marriage. They

must then wait a minimum of t2 months

(18 months if there are children) - a

divorce. The main changes are:

ment is planning to set up pilot at least 1999. Mr Lilley said: studies around the country, so that divorcing couples will first have an information briefing and the opportunity to use mediation and counselling services. However, Peter Lilley, the

Shake-up shifts emphasis to mediation

"cooling-off" period for reflection.

on finances and arrangements for child-

The decrees nisi and absolute will

become one divorce order, to be applied for at the end of the cooling-off period. If couples cannot agree on children

and finances, they will be able extend the

time for a further 12 months, when the

divorce process must start all over again.

Everyone seeking a divorce will he

obliged to have an information briefing

on a range of services, including mar-riage guidance, counselling, mediation

and legal advice.

Everyone will he told about it but it will

not be compulsory. Legal aid will he

ren before a divorce order is granted.

Social Security Secretary, said yesterday that the Government would not rush through the Act's provisions for splitting pensions at the time of divorce. He said that ministers would wait for the publication of a White Paper early next year and legislation was nol likely to come into effect until

"This is a complex and sensitive issue which needs to take into account changes to matrimonial, tax and pensions law. The Government is not prepared to legislate prematurely in an area which affects so many people." The reforms will see a new

approach to divorce for the 150,000 couples who separate each year, with the scrapping of the "quickie" divorce. David Hodson, a solicitor with the Family Law Consor-

tium, a Covent Garden prac-rice which offers legal advice, Charles Russell, said: "I have

counselling,

of the couple.

finance

mediation and counselling, said : "By the autumn, in perhaps half a dozen centres. everything should be in place bar the law itself." He predicted a rise in work for family lawyers under the old laws. But the next two years would see a culture change, with many more divorcing couples using mediation.

However, there were fears yesterday that the measures might prompt people to divorce who might otherwise have stayed married. Grant Howell, of the solicitors

available for marriage guidance or

Courts will not grant orders in cases

where agreements are not reached over

children and finances, although if one

party is unreasonable and seeks to delay

agreement the courts can grant a divorce order anyway. They will not do so

against a spouse's will if this would cause

substantial hardship to children or to one

Courts will have the power, as now, to

take into account spouses' conduct when deciding how to divide property and

In addition, the Government has been

given the power to introduce regulations

on pension splitting, although these will

need separate legislation.

clients who come to me, no having spoken to their partners, who want to know the options. When I tell them they can be divorced in four months, they go away - and sometimes that is the end of it. There has to be a concern

that when I say it will now take a minimum of 19 months, if there are children, then I think there will be people who say: 'I can't stand things for that long - I must start proceedings now." Nigel Shepherd, chairman

of the Solicitor Family Law Association, said the Bill as passed was very different from its original, and presented a host of bureaucratic hurdles: "Labour's Paul Boateng described it as a dog's break-fast. It still is, although it has a couple more edible courses." Work still had to be done on

the detailed framework, "but family lawyers are determined to get this into a format which will help people come to arrangements more amicably than they do now". He did not predict an immediate rush, but the number of divorces might rise as the implementation of the new law loomed. There will be transitional

arrangements: couples already in the process of divorcing under the two or five-year separation are expected to be unaffected by the new law.

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Lahilah Apia described her son Kalum as "my hero"

# Kalum, 7, keeps cool to save life of mother

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BY PAUL WILKINSON

THE coolness of a seven-year old boy saved his mother's life when she collapsed at home. Not only did Kalum Apia pass on exact details to paramedics, he also arranged for a babysitter to look after his brothers while their mother was in hospital.

Now Kalum is to receive a plaque from North Yorkshire Ambulance Trust, who said his mother owed her life to his prompt actions after she suffered a severe asthma attack at the weekend.

The boy had found Lahilah Apia, 34, in her bed gasping for breath and unable to move or speak. First he searched for her inhaler and, while she used it, tetephoned for an ambulance from their home in Whitby, North Yorkshire, describing the carefully situation.

While he waited for the ambulance to arrive, Kalum telephoned a family friend to ask if she could care for his two younger brothers, Etan, five. and Taram. one. Mrs Apia said: "Kalum saved my life, he's my hero."

# At last. A better deal for private patients.



# Hospitals are at full stretch, says survey

#### By JEREMY LAURANCE, HEALTH CORRESPONDENT

strongest pressure since the introduction of reforms five years ago, the National Association of Health Authorities and Trusts said yesterday. A rise in emergency admissions was said to be pushing hospitals to the limits of capacity.

A survey of 30 NHS trusts and 19 health authorities found increases ranging from 3 to 13 per cent a year, resulting in severe bed shortages. delays to operations and long waits on trolleys.

The ageing population and advances in medical science have added to the pressures. The survey found that new geriatric outpatient cases rose by more than 12 per cent in 1993-94. The average cost of an episode of geriatric care was 2.673 compared with £991 across all acute specialties.

Philip Hunt. director of the association, said yesterday that the pressures could cause waiting lists to lengthen as the NHS struggled to match the

THE NHS is experiencing its even keel in many places, in some parts of the country they are threatening to slip back." Speaking to the association's annual conference in Harrogate, Mr Hunt attacked critics who claimed that the country could no longer afford fully to fund the NHS: "This would imply the notion of a comprehensive NHS being eventually displaced by a second-rate safety net service for the poor and needy. I don't share that view. It is not impossible to fund

the NHS properly out of the public purse. I am convinced that economic growth and rising productivity mean that the nation should be able to afford a good deal more health care in the future." ......

Two junior doctors have found they walk an average of 6.8 miles during a 24-hours shift on call. Dr Nicholas Jones and Dr Dyfed Hughes wore pedometers for a monthlong study at the modern Princess of Wales Hospital in

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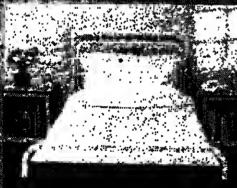
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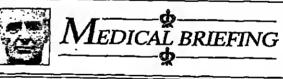
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rise in demand with a modest growth in funding of 1.1 per cent in real terms. He said: The survey confirms that very difficult choices are having to be made. While waiting lists will fall or remain on an

Bridgend. Mid Glamorgan. Dr Jones, 28, said: "Walking between departments and wards is like getting in training for a marathon. We would like planners and managers to think more about layout."

# From exhaust to happy exhaustion



Ten | years ago, it is possible that a doctor caught in a traffic jam in the type of weather we have been enjoying would remem-ber that one of the foul gases he was inhaling was nitric oxide. Nitric oxide, the nitrogen monoxide of chemistry classes at school - and not nitrous oxide. the dentist's laughing gas - is one of the pollutants emitted from car exhausts. Apart from the dan-gers of this, it was not thought to be of clinical significance, for its therapeutic importance had not then been investigated.

Now, in the best medical circles, nitric oxide is a very fashionable compound and scientists from many different branches of medicine are investigatiog its properties, both good and bad.

Today when doctors sit in the traffic inhaling the fumes. they should remember that nitric oxide may hold the key to the treatment of impotence in men and may improve the sex lives of women-

An indication of the widespread importance of nitric oxide is that the Royal Society of Medicine held a two-day conference on its clinical implications last week. Four medical knights and one dame chaired the different sessions to discuss the relevance of nitric oxide to cardiology, haemotology, obstetrics, immunology, chest diseases and the central nervous system. There seems to be no branch of medicine in which its role may not be of therapeutic importance. In human tissue. nitric oxide acts as a chemical messen-

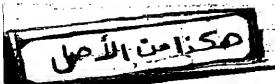
ger, and its chief action is as a vasodilator, improving the blood supply. It has obvious implications in venereology, and the latest edition of the BMJ included a report from Egypt on the trial of a cream used in the treatment of impotence which contains three substances, one of which, isosorbide dinitrate, generates nitric oxide when absorbed. The other two creams used different biochemical pathways to im-prove penile blood supply. The Egyptian doctors car-

ried out a randomised, double-blind trial to check the efficacy of their cream in comparison with a placebo when used by 36 impotent men. Sixty-six per cent - 21 of the men in the trial - had satisfactory erections and sexual intercourse when using the cream.

The Egyptians are not the only doctors who have been experimenting with creams for impotence. Dr Malcolm Carruthers, who practises in London, has devised a mixture which contains similar ingredients, but his also includes testosterone. He is still conducting trials. but describes his initial results as encouraging.

One unexpected feature re-ported by Dr Carruthers is that, as some of the cream is absorbed by the women, their enjoyment is also enhanced. Dr Stuttaford was appointed OBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours and not MBE as reported last week.

> **DR THOMAS** STUTTAFORD



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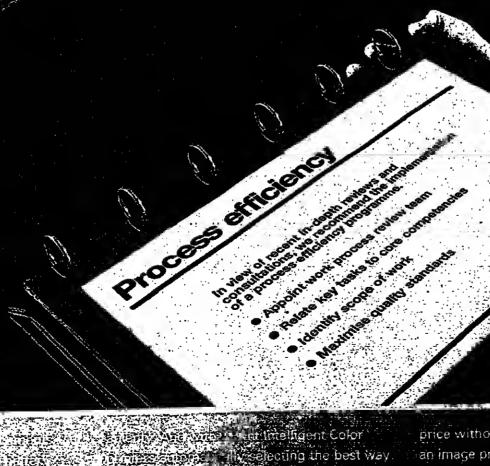
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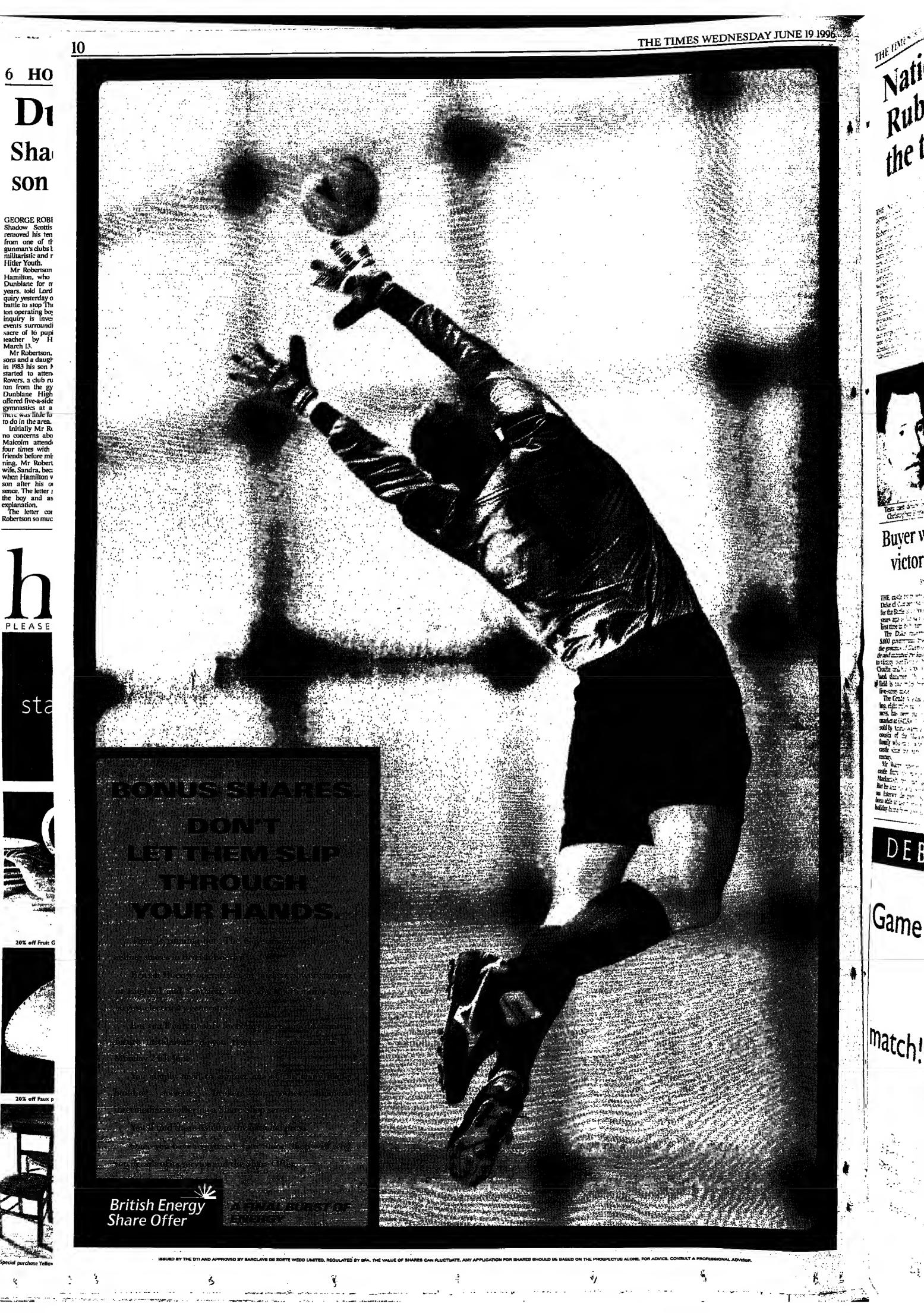
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# **National Gallery** Rubens is put to the tree-ring test

By DALYA ALBERGE, ARTS CORRESPONDENT

THE National Gallery has agreed to a scientific test of one of its prized paintings, Rubens's Samson and Delilah, after a group of artists challenged its attribution. On both stylistic and documentary evidence, they argued, it is a copy by one of the many assistants in the master's workshop rather than the master himself

They called for the gallery to undertake a dendrochronological test — testing the age of the wood rings in the panel on which it is painted. The test can pinpoint the year when a tree was cut down and has already caused two scholars to "de-attribute" two other sup-



Tests cast doubt on Archduke Albert, left. Now Christopher Brown is to have Samson checked

posed Rubenses in Vienna. The rings on which Samson is painted could establish it as later than its perceived date of 1609. The gallery's decision to carry out the lost comes four years after the group made the request. The gallery had insisted that tests were unnecessary since neither the date nor the provenance was in doubt. Euphrosyne Doxiadis, an

artist and award-winning scholar, and painters Steven Harvey and Sian Hopkinson have devoted many -- who years of research to the Rubens - refused tu give up. Their case was strengthened by dendrochronology lests on the paintings in the Vienna

Kunsthistorisches Museum. The portraits of the Archduke Albert and his spouse Isabella of The Netherlands were said to have been painted in 1609. The revised dating, 10 1618, convinced the Dutch scholar Amout Balis and Walter Liedtke, curator of Dutch and Flemish paintings at the Metropolitan Museum in New York, that the pictures were the work of the young Jacob

Jordaens, who was greatly influenced by Rubens. Christopher Brown, the gallery's chief curator, told The Times that he would agree to the test "if it will put the matter to rest". He will invite Peter Klein of the University of Hamburg, an expert in the tests, to inspect the painting when he visits Londun.

The artists discovered that the Somson was attributed to Rubens only in 1929. For 237 years, from 1692, it was alvays described as a copy after Rubens, For 180 years, it was in the collection of the Princes of Lichtenstein. Each of three inventories (1767, 1780 and (873) warns: "Do not attribute this painting to Rubens."

They argue that the painting is "awkward", primarily in the way that Samson's right foot has been sliced off: they see no valid reason for why Rubens should have distorted its proportions so clumsily, That follower, Jan van den Hoecke. view is supported by Michael Rubens was commissioned to

gests the hand of Jordaens. Scholars, the artists believe, are conveniently omitting conin 1640. Its last documented reference is to that year in tradictory evidence. Rockox's inventory. Then nothing, until 1929, when the The painting was acquired in 1980, for £2.5 million. For present panel was proclaimed by a single scholar as the centuries before that, it was attributed to a minor Rubens

missing Rubens. Wolfgang Prohaska, a cura-

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"Rubens was a wonderful

painter. Sometimes he didn't

Michael Daley, director of Artwatch UK, which has been

highly critical of the National

Gallery's restoration policies,

said that if the gallery's attri-

bution were incorrect, "they

are doing an enormous disser-

vice to Rubens",

care.

# **Credit** card firms 'fail to admit liability'

#### BY ADRIAN LEE

CREDIT card companies are accused today of routinely breaking the law by failing to disclose to customers their rights to compensation if they receive poor services or buy faulty goods. The National Consumer Council has called for a new code of practice to prevent people being misled. Customers are frequently iold to comptain to retailers when it is the credit card company that is liable to pay compensation, says the council in a report published today. David Hatch, the council's chairman, said: "If a customer has lost out because their credit card was accepted by a holiday company about to go bust, or a shop selling faulty goods, the card issuer is as much to blame as the retailer. But at the moment claimants are fobbed off unless they can quote the law and have the support of a consumer adviser.

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be abolished, it adds. Under the 1974 Consumer Credit Act customers can claim losses back from either the retailer or the credit card issuer, Mr Hatch said: "Issuers should only let their cards be accepted by reputable retailers and be accountable for Art, page 40 any failures."

**Buyer wanted for castle where** victors of Culloden stayed By RACHEL KELLY, PROPERTY CORRESPONDENT in Petersfield, Hampshire, Mackintosh, heriditary chiefs

THE castle from which the Duke of Cumberland set out for the Battle of Culloden 250 years ago is for sale for the

first time in its history. The Doke mustered his 8.000 governmeat troops in ounds of Dalcross Casthe gro tle and marched the Redcoats to victory over Bonnie Prince Charlie and his 4,000 High-

and they have therefore decided to sell. The stone pile, with views over the Moray Firth, has angled turrets and crowstepped gables. It was built in 1621 by the 8th Lord Lovat, clan chief of the Lovat Frasers. A century later it passed

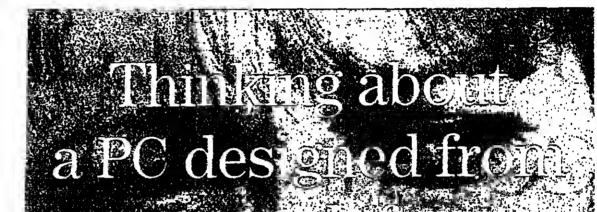
of the clan Chattan. The castle has a 749-acre estate, which jocfudes 218 acres of commercial conifer forest, three let farms of nearly 500 acres and 67 acres of vacant farmland of mixed arable and livestock. There is ten and a half acres of woodland and a two-acre to the powerful neighbouring family of Mackintosh of paddock.

The castle has a great hall,

bedroom suite, ten



works are by Rubens. Of Samson and Delilah, he said: "It's absurd. This is one of the most wonderful master-works," He insisted that the dismissal of it through the centuries meant nothing: "Rubens scholarship developed from the late 19th century." Asked why Rubens would have sliced off a foot, he said:



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The Grade A listed building, eight miles east of loverness, has been put oo the market at £842,500. It is being sold by Angus Warre, a third cousin of the Mackintosh family who have owned the castle since the early 18th century

Mr Warre inherited the castle from his mother, a' Mackintosh, ten years ago. But he and his wife, Sophie, an interior designer, have been able to use it only as a holiday home from their base

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other bedrooms, three bathrooms, a dining room, library, and other offices and rooms. The sale is being handled by Langley-Taylor of Edinburgh. The four-star Culloden House Hotel, an 18th-century mansion which was Bonnie Prince Charlie's headquarters the night before he was forced to fice from the battlefield, was sold earlier this month by a local family to an American for a reputed company £3 million.

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# Blunkett threatens to woo **Tory rebels on vouchers**

#### BY JOHN O'LEARY AND ARTHUR LEATHLEY

LABOUR threatened yesterday to enlist dissident Tory MPs to wreck the Government's plans for an expansion of pre-school education unless ministers agree to negotiate an alternative to nursery vouchers. David Blunkett, Shadow

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Education Secretary, offered a bipartisan approach after the House of Lords dealt a potentially fatal blow to the voucher scheme on Monday. Peers voted through an amendment to the nursery education Bill to ensure that ministers report to Parliament on trial voucher schemes before extending them nationwide. The voucher scheme, which

offers parents of four-yearolds £1,100 towards the cost of place in a private or state nursery, got under way in April in Norfolk and the London boroughs of Wandsworth. Westminster and Kensington and Chelsea. But Mr Blunkett said that national implementation, planned for April 1997. would be "may-hem". He added: "We don't want to pick up mayhem." He challenged Gillian

Shephard, the Education Secretary, to join Labour in creating a new scheme without vouchers - which them and their children. would use all available money

to create new places. "Unless Mrs Shephard takes up our dissident in a four-line whip to defeat the Government." Mr Blunkett said that without vouchers John Major's dream of a nursery place for every four-year-old whose parents want one could be real-ised. He went on: "The Government has dissidents on its side who don't believe the voucher scheme is acceptable. There is nothing to lose now for various individuals who have burned their boats with the Government on other matters. We could raily them

behind us in a victory for common sense." Mrs Shephard accused Labour of "playing games with children's lives" and said that the Government planned to go ahead with its plans. "It is a cynical attempt by the Labour Party to wreck an initiative which widens choice for par-

ploying the old socialist trick of denying others those opportunities which so many of enjoy." 'She is understood to be Mrs Shephard takes up our considering trying to begin the offer, we will rally every Tory evaluation before the pilot schemes are completed, enabling the vouchers to be offered nationally in April as planned. But MPs said that

the Government would commit political suicide if it tried to rush through a national scheme. Tories warned the Government that the introduction of a national scheme could be highly damaging if it coincided with the general election. Three former Tory ministers are among the party's back-bench critics of the scheme. One Tory MP said: "We must

accept the Lords change and make a virtue out of necessity. If we are re-elected then we can introduce the scheme on the basis of proper evaluation, rather than rush through flawed changes." Among the Tory critics are the former ministers Sir Mal-

ents. As usual they are emcolm Thornton, chairman of

the Commons Education Select Committee, George Walden and Nigel Forman. They will each need convincing that a national scheme should be introduced before the pilot has been completed and assessessed. Other Tories who have demanded full evaluation of the pilot scheme first are Iain Mills, David Sumberg and Sir Donald Thompson.

Ministers accused peers of wanting to rob parents of the power to exercise choice and claimed that the voucher scheme was already creating new nursery places. Mrs Shephard said: "While

we naturally take careful note of the vote in the House of Lords, the scheme is firmly set on course for national implementation. Delaying the introduction of the scheme would prevent half a million children and their parents enjoying the benefits of the choice offered through the voucher scheme." Critics of the voucher

scheme say that it will disrupt local authority nursery provision and waste millions of pounds on bureaucracy.



# THE TIMES WEDNESDAY JUNE 19 1996

TO LUMIN TO END ALL DURANT MAN

# Carey prepares Lords 'sermon' · on moral values

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#### By ALICE THOMSON. POLITICAL REPORTER

"self-interested" Tory. Dr

Carey believes that it is his

The debate will be held on

July 5, just before the General

Synod, and will enable Dr

Carey to make it clear that he

is prepared to weigh into politics. He will also

emphasise that he is speaking

Many peers are sceptical about the debate. Ooe Liberal

Democrat said. "This will just

be ooe, boring sermon from the archbishop but there is nothing we can do to stop him

if he wants to navel gaze. Then we will get all the right-

wing peers ranting about bringing back hanging and sex education in schools. It will be a self-indulgent farce.

Morality should be left to

the debate. They want to

**Right-wing Tories welcome** 

individuals' consciences."

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turn to have a say.

THE Archbishop of Canterbury is so concerned about declining public morality that he is to initiate an unprecedented full-day debate on it next month.

Dr George Carey will give warning that unless people return to old-fashioned Christian values society will crumble. He will say that morality has been privatised and individuals now feel no compunction to act for the benefit of the community. Instead they are greedy and cynical.

The debate will "call attention to the importance of society's moral and spiritual well-being and in particular to the responsibility of schools". Dr Carey will criticise the Government for fo-cusing too much on arguments about how to teach children mathematics and English while too little time has been spent on ethics. He is evidently also angry

bring up pornography on television, the lottery and the that the Church's views on the dangers of violent video films. cootroversial Family Law Bill, which has just been Other peers have already booked the dining room for hunch, determined to make a day of it, invite a guest and. pick up their daily allowance of over £139. passed in the Commons, were oot taken more seriously and he was not properly consulted oo the divorce issue.

After five years as Archbisbop of Canterbury, he is determined to raise his profile, especially after moves by both John Major and Tony Blair to claim the moral high ground for their parties.

With the Tories being at-tacked for sleaze and Mr Blair insisting that the Bible taught him that he could never be a

IN PARLIAMENT TODAY in the Commons: back debates; trade and industry gue

debates, trade and industry questions, debate on sentancing policy, Northern Instand Act (Interim Period Extension) Order, backbench debate on availabil-ity of environmental Information. In the Lords: Hong Kong (War Wives and Widows) (No 2) Bill, committee; Trae-sure Bill, committee; Housing Bill, committee; Stansted Airport Aircraft Movement Limit (Amendment) Order.

# Why Blair should condemn futile beef row policy

ony Blair is being too clever by half. In Bonn yesterday he promised a fresh start for Britain in Europe. But this has been contradicted by his handling of the beef dispute. Labour's equivocal support for the Government's policy of non-cooperation smacks of the pseudo-

patriotism and opportunism



short-term tactics and longterm strategy. Mr. Blair has always prided himself on his candour and unwillingness to fudge. But he risks compro-mising this image by his ambivalence on beef. He

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of Harold Wilson at his worst. should have argued that the Labour has been trying to have it both ways, criticising the Government and wrapping itself in the flag over noncooperation. Mr Blair argued that "the entire British national interest is now engaged in trying to secure an agreement for the lifting of the ban by the Florence summit. Whatever our concerns, as a responsible Opposition, we will not undermine that national interest". But that is bogus. It confuses ends and means. Of course, it is in Britain's interest for the ban to be lifted as soon as possible. But the non-cooperation policy is a negotiating tactic. It is not like sending troops into military action which can legitimately be described as a "national interest". It has made easing of the ban harder rather than easier. The Opposition wants to be able to criticise any likely outcome of the Florence summit. Mr Blair has repeatedly pressed for a timetable for lifting the ban — as have sceptics such as John Red-wood. But that has never been one of the Government's de-mands and is highly unlikely to be part of any EU deal. By pressing this case, Labour is putting a further obstacle in the way of lifting the ban. Mr Blair's advisers dismiss

these criticisms, almost de-

attacked Labour as unpatriot-ic. undermining the British

case and the like. As it is, his

cannot lose. It can criticise Mr Major either if he fails to agree

a deal at Florence or for

though that is improbable. But these advisers confuse

real national interest, would now best be served by reaching agreement with the rest of Europe over lifting the beef ban — not antagonising other countries by pursuing a futile and counter-productive policy. of non-cooperation. That would have been consistent with the rest of his Bonn speech.

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Mr Blair has much in common with the Tory pro-Europeans: preserving the national veto on defence, immigration and strategy changes; expressing cautious support for a single currency to see if it can be made to work; and praising the virtues of free and open markets against competition form outside the EU. His emphasis on a flexible labour markets and his warning about the impact of regulations and non-wage costs will not please the unions, though he begged the question of how far this can be squared with signing the social chapter. His emphasis was very different from Robin Cook's Chatham House speech a fortnight ago, which embraced the expensive "so-cial Europe" of Continental parties.

This represents a genuinely "new" Labour approach both to Europe lighting in the comparisons with Wilsonian deviousness. They argue that if Mr Blair and economic policy. As he argued, domestic policy choices are constrained and had criticised the blocking tactics, the Tories would have solutions adopted by Right and Left may often overlap. The real dividing line may be more between those who respond to global change advisers claim that Labour by urging isolationism and protectionism and those who believe in internationalism producing an inadequate package. There is even talk of and engagement. Mr Blair has damaged this case, and Labour and the Tory sceptics uniting to bring down the Government on the issue, his claims to be a new style of leader, by his shortsighted manocuvring over beef.

PETER RIDDELL

# Britain halts 75 decisions

stantive measures in Brussels since the Government began its policy of non-cooperation with the European Union over the ban on British beef. (James Landale writes).

According to a written Parliamentary answer, ministers and diplomats have refused to endorse a wide variety of measures in Brussels since er or not to send EU observers within the EU budget. Many posed on cut flowersy

BRITAIN has blocked 75 sub- of the blocked moves concerned regular European business such as ministers agreeing a common position on a particular subject, plan-ning future summits, or sim-ply deciding to carry out a course of action.

Some measures were important, others were less so. May 22, including plans to combat racism and fight fraud to the Mongolian elections or whether VAT should be im-

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# Arabs warn of war as Netanyahu picks team

#### FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN JERUSALEM

ISRAEL'S Prime Ministerelect, Binyamin Netanyahu, unveiled his right-wing Government yesterday amid squabbles in his Likud-led coalition and warnings of war across the Arab world.

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He named to Cabinet mem-bers, but failed to resolve the problem of what post, if any, to give Ariel Sharon, the veteran Likud hawk and architect of election victory. Mr Netanyahu was forced

to take three extra portfolios -Foreign Affairs, Housing and Religious Affairs - temporarily into his own hands, as one of his main right-wing allies. David Levy, refused to take over the Foreign Ministry until Mr Sharon is given a

Mr Levy later held talks with Mr Netanyahu, and Likud officials were hoping for a solution to the dispute before the Knesset's vote of confidence in the new government,

ast night, The ministers named were drawn from a coalition of the Likud bloc with three religious parties and two centre-right groups which together hold a comfortable 66-sear Knesset majority. Other leading Cabinet members include Yitzhak Mordechai as Defence Minister, Dan Meridor as Finance

Minister, and Avigdor Kahalani as Internal Security Minister. All are considered moderates in the right-wing camp

Mr Netanyahu appealed for the reopening of unconditional peace talks with Arab states. As he addressed the Knesset over repeated angry interventions by one of the few

Israeli Arab deputies. Jewish settlers called for the number of Jews in the occupied territories to be tripled to nearly 500,000 over the next four years of rule by the Likud coatinion.

Heralding a new era in the Middle East, Mr Nctanyahu pledged a very different ap-proach from the "land for peace" policies which won his Labour predecessor. Shimon Peres, the Nobel Peace Prize. Instead, he told deputies, the emphasis would be on sec-urity, with the freeze on settlement-building in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip ended.

Addressing Syria, Lebanon and other Arab states, the ninth and youngest ever Israeli Prime Minister said: "Let us conduct direct negotiarions for peace; negotiadons that will carry the Middle East to an era of stability and prosperity, negotiations without preconditions."

Mr Netanyahu said: "That is the key - there are no preconditions. Each side can present its concepts and positions without forcing the other side to accept these conditions in advance. We can reach a real peace with our neighbours."

He emphasised that the security of Israelis must be inherent in any accord, which must achieve "a stable and viable peace, not a passing and temporary agreement". The tough guidelines of his new Government infuriated many Arab states and led

Hanan Ashrawi, the Palestinian spokeswoman, to say: "Expanding settlements, annexing Jerusalem, not withdrawing from the Golan Heights are requirements for peace destruction, not peacemaking." Abu Ala, a close aide lo Yassir Arafat, head of the Palestinian Authority, de-scribed the guidelines as "a

declaration of war". The outgoing Prime Minis-ter, Shimon Peres, delivered a



□ YAACOV NEEMAN, Justice Minister: an Orthodox Jew, who handled the business dealings in the Jewish state of the late Bridsh media tycoon Robert Maxwell. Aged 54, he has been linked with the National Religious Party for many years. He is likely to be called on to mediate between secular and religious Jews because he is trusted by both sides.

A former director-general of the Finance Ministry, a position he held from 1979 until 1981, he is a specialist in corporate, financial, and tax laws. He is, therefore, likely to be called on to advise the Government on the reform and repeal of laws to create an economy that is more based on private enterprise. Mr Neeman is married, with six children, and lives in Jerusalem in the Jewish quarter of the Old City,

□ NATAN SHARANSKY, Minister of Trade and Industry: has proved his mettle by securing concessions for the 600,000 new immigrants from the former Soviet Union. They are the backbone of support for the Israel Bealiya Party he founded this year. Mr Sharansky, 48, the best known former Soviet Jewish refusenik, set up the party on the tenth anniversary of his release from Moscow's Lefortovo prison in an East-West spy swap.

Hc is likely to prove one of the most charismatic members of the Cabinet, where he will fight hard for the social issues in his platform. He is a friend of Binyamin Net-anyahu, shares his views on security issues and is certain to prove one of the strongest bulwarks in the Government against excessive demands by the religious parties,

□ YTTZHAK MORDECHAI, Defence Minister: Kurdish-born, he is in the classic mould of soldier turned politician. As the only general to head alt three army commands -Northern, Southern and Central - he has experience of most security problems. Popular with his men, but less so among senior officers, he was Binyamin Netanyahu's chief campaign organiser. His gesture in joining Likud two months after Yitzhak Rabin's assassination was much

appreciated by the rank and file. Awarded the Medal of Valour in the 1973 war, his courage is undeniable, but he bas been accused of lacking original strategic thought and is noted for what the Jerusalem Report called "an almost childish inability to accept criticism",



DAN MERIDOR, Finance Minister: leftleaning member of the Likud Party and one of the most talented men on the front bench. A friend of Yossi Beilin, one of the outgoing Labour architects of the peace negoriations with the Palestinians. Some observers here argue he has more in common with Labour than Likud, despite being regarded as one of the leading "princes" in his party.

A lawyer aged 48, he first came to prominence as Minister for Justice under the late Menachem Begin. It was in this role that he became regarded as too liberal by many of his Likud colleagues because of his concern for human rights, especially in the Palestinian territories and for the rule of law, Many would have been happy to see him in charge of peace talks.

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passionate plea to his succes sor not to freeze the peace process, and to meet Mr Arafat. Confirmed that it is holding Ali Dia, a Lebanese reporter who

works for the French news agency, Agence France-Presse (AFP), and that he has been interrogated over possible links to Hezbollah.

# Panama rejects drug allegations

#### BY DAVID ADAMS

MORE than six years after American troops invaded Panama to oust Manuel Noriega, the drug-trafficking dictator, the Government of Panama is again facing accusations of links to the drugs trade.

The scandal has strained relations at a delicate stage in talks over a possible extension of the American military presence in Panama. Angry Pana-manian officials have rejected the allegations as part of a disinformation campaign to smear the Government of President Balladares, a former political ally of Noriega. who is in a Miami jail. Some officials have likened the affair to events in Colombia. where President Samper has been fighting accusations that his party was funded by drug traffickers.

The Panamanian charges stem from the collapse in January of a politically wellconnected bank, Banaico, with debts of more than \$50 million (£33 million) to swindled depositors. Investigations have since disclosed that the bank was deeply involved in laundering money for Colombia's Cali cocaine cartel. One of the bank's senior officers was a leading figure in the ruling Democratic Revolutionary Party, and an important contributor to Senor Balladares's 1994 election campaign.

American officials say they are worried by what they describe as the high level of corruption in Panama, lax banking and corporate regulations, weak customs controls, and a growing domestic drug abuse problem. "There's so much money laundering in Panama, it's hard to know where to start," said Robert Gelbard, the Assistant Secretary for International Narcot-

feared Panama would be vulnerable to drug trafficking after US troops leave.

"Panama has to think of its future. The US will reduce its presence and if one considers that the American military presence has had a dissuasive effect |on drug cartels], one has to ask oneself what will happen to Panama?" he said. Under the 1977 Panama Canal Treaty, the United States is due to hand over the 52-mile inter-oceanic waterway on December 3t, 1999. Related deals call for the closure of American military bases, including the Southern Command HQ, the nerve centre of all US military operations in Latin America. About 25 per cent of the area has already reverted to Panama, including two military bases last year. By the time the Southern Command closes next summer, there will be 4,400 American troops. a reduction of more than 50 per

cent since 1992. While there has been talk of extending a limited American military presence after 1999. formal negotiations have been stalled by polilical and financial considerations.

Talk about a lingering American presence stirs Panamanian feelings of nationalism. The Uniled States has played an influential role in local politics since 1903, when President Roosevelt engineered Panama's independence from Colombia. American troops came to Panama as part of the project to build a canal that would link the Atlantic and Pacific trading routes. They stayed on after the canal opened in 1914. Justifying their presence as necessary to protect international commerce, first from Germany and its allies in the Second World War, and then the threat of Soviet-



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# Blair courted by Kohl as leader of modern Left

#### FROM ROGER BOYES IN BONN

cialist. Malcolm Rifkind, the HELMUT KOHL, the Ger-Foreign Secretary, was recently granted 45 minutes. There has been a significant

shift in German attitudes towards Labour since the last Blair visit just over a year ago. Then the Labour leader set out his European credentials at the Social Democratic thinktank and met the Chancellor for a short session. Mr Blair was determined on

that occasion to show be was not prepared to surrender Briosh positions on the national veto: the Chancellor was careful to praise Mr Major as thoughtful and clever".

This time there has been no public reference at all to the Prime Minister, who seems to have flickered in and out of the Bonn talks like Banquo's ghost. And while Mr Blair indicated that he was not going to be pushed around by the Germans over beef (on which he presented sharper conditions than those of the Government], his European repertoire -- from the social

chapter to monetary union pleased the Chancellor. "Kohl is coming to see Blair as the new Felipe González." said a senior German official, "It is already obvious that he

will fill a gap.' Señor González was of a different generation from Herr Kohl and had funda-FRANKFURTER ALLGEMEINE ZEITUNG

mentally different politics, but he rarely disappointed the German leader. It is by no means clear that Mr Blair will be as easy a partner.

The kinship between the Chancellor and European So-cialists - Wim Kok of The Netherlands, Jacques Delors, the late François Mitterrand, Senor González, the Italian Centre-Left -- is not merely a matter of personal chemistry. The Kohl vision of Europe seems naturally attuned to European social democracy. That fact alone has robbed Germany's opposition Social Democrats of any coherent

alternative on Europe. The red-carpet treatment for Mr Blair is more than just a statement of disillusionment with the Major Government. Il reflects a sea-change that has occurred in German politics. Herr Kohl, say insiders. has now decided 10 fight the 1998 general election.

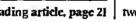
The Chancellor believes his final historic mission of achieving monetary union is within his grasp and he is determined to be the man who introduces the single currency. That changes the context of his personal politics. As he told

Mr Blair on Monday: "We need a Britain within Europe. just as Britain needs us." Morever, the chances are

strong that Mr Blair will be Prime Minister when Britain holds the European presidency in the first half of 1998, the crucial period for monetary union. Mr Blair appeared in Bonn this week like a young man wanting to impress scep-

tical in-laws. Within 18 months, however, the relationship may well be differently weighted, leaving Herr Kohl - buffeted by popular opposition to monetary union - dependent on Mr Blair's help. As on earlier missionary visits to Bonn - such as that of Gordon Brown last month -Labour's sister party, the Social Democrats, are sidelined. Oskar Lafontaine, their chairman, had to wait patiently until Mr Blair had finished with the Chancellor for a long-

delayed meeting,





Relieved of command: General Grachev's departure will win "millions of votes"

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# Lebed becomes a force to be reckoned with

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#### FROM RICHARD BEESTON IN MOSCOW

A NEW policical force was born in Russia yesterday after President Yeltsin appointed Aleksandr Lebed, a former army general and the third placed presidential candidate, to the post of National Security Adviser.

In a move which seemed certain to clinch the Russian leader's victory in his second-round re-election attempt next month, General Lebed agreed to but loval Defence Minister. He was replaced, for the time being, by General Mikhail Kolesnikov, the chief serve under the President in return for a powerful new position as head of the Presidential Security Council.

The job will oversee the armed forces, the police and the internal security services, and General Lebed said he intended to broaden his powers to include fighting crime, reforming the army and cracking down on official corruption.

Yeltsin's alliance has clinched his "This is the union of two politicians. victory in the second round run-off Leading article, page 21 two different programmes," said a election early next month against

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# Loyal Grachev sacrificed to rescue Yeltsin

FROM THOMAS DE WAAL IN MOSCOW

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clung to his post as Russia's Defence Minister became a saga that kept the country enthralled. Widely reviled in the army.

accused of corruption and responsible above all for military disasters in Chechenia. General Grachev, 48, had become Mr Yeltsin's longestserving minister.

Aleksandr Lebed, the general turned politician who finally engineered his down-fall, said: "Pavel Grachev is personally loyal. In our country that is the main thing." The decision to dismiss him

will be extremely popular in the military. "Yeltsin, by removing Grachev. is rewarded by the gratitude of the army with hundreds of thousands of votes," the political maga-zine Itogi commented. "And then there are officers' families and conscripts and their parents. He will collect several million votes."

The general's survival was due to his complete devotion to his boss. On two occasions he rescued the President in dramatic circumstances. During the attempted coup of August 1991, the former paratroop commander refused the orders of the leaders and backed Mr Yeltsin. For that

Gennadi Zyuganov, the Communist

Party leader. Although the Kremlin

chief finished only three points ahead

of Mr Zyuganov, his re-election cam-

paign is in a much stronger position to

pick up new votes than the

General Lebed predicted that 80 per

cent of his 11 million voters would support his decision to take up his new

post, suggesting they would also back

alliance showed that about 30 per cent

of Lebed supporters would vote for

President Yeltsin next time. More than

half of those who voted for Grigori

Yavlinsky, the liberal leader, and even.

a few of the supporters of Vladimir

Zhirinovsky, the ultra-nationalist lead-

er, will also switch their support to the

Opinion polls taken before the new

service he was made Defence Minister in May 1992. Then, during the bloody showdown with the opposition in October 1993, he agreed to use tanks to attack the parliament building. But critics maintain the

general's term in office was characterised by sleaze and stagnation. Military reforms failed to take place, generals lined their pockets and conscripts went hungry, they claimed.

The Moscow newspaper Moskovsky Komsomolets. which conducted a sustained campaign against General Grachev, alleged that he and his cronies got rich during Russia's military withdrawal from Germany. It dubbed him "Pasha Mercedes", a label that stuck with him.

When Dmitri Kholodov. the Moskorsky Komsomolets reporter who investigated the story, died in a bomb explosion in October 1994 the calls began for General Grachev to resign. But President Yeltsin spoke up for him in the strongest terms, and called him "the best Defence Minister that Russia and the Soviet Union ever had".

Explaining his acceptance of the job. the Afghan War veteran said he was carrying out promises he made to restore order in Russia and prevent bloodshed, "I was facing two ideas an old one that has shed lots of blood and a new one which is being implemented very badly at the moment but has a future," said the general, referring to the choice of backing the Communists or the reformers. "I have chosen the new idea." The Communists could not disguise

their disappointment, consoling themselves only by predicting that General Lebed's political career would be over before it had started.

Yeltsin backed: Nursultan Nazarbayev, the President of Kazakhstan, in effect backed Boris Yeltsin's re-election attempt yesterday by calling on Russiad voters to support democracy and market reforms. (Reuter)

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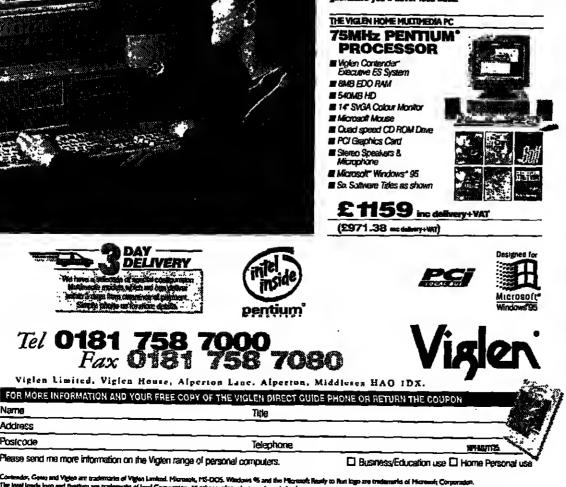
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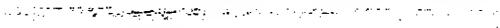
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# Afghan veteran turns his fire on 'pointless' wars

FROM ANATOL LIEVEN IN MOSCOW

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AS FOR so many Soviet soldiers, the Afghan War was a key experience in the life of General Aleksandr Lebed. On the one hand, it set him on the path to first military, and now political, success. On the other, it began a process of disillusionment with Soviet communism, and indeed with politicians in general.

As a fighting officer in Afghanistan, General Lebed rose to command a paratroop battalion. Although he speaks of his service there and his unit with pride, the general, who is married, makes no effort to defend the Soviet intervention. "They sent us in there to kill and be killed with no preparation, no knowledge of the country, its society, culture or history, hardly even a proper map, and for no sensible or clear objective," he said. "It was a crime against the army and the men who died."

In recent years, General Lebed's anger over the Afghan debacle has resurfaced in his opposition to Russia's military role in Tajikistan. As he said two years ago, during a flare-up of that conflict, "I cannot see why Russian soldiers are helping one group of Tajiks kill another. What if we change our mind and support the other side? What will our

boys have died for?" General Lebed was from the start a bitter crinc of the war in Chechenia, which he has repeatedly compared to Afghan-

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istan. His feelings stem less from a sympathy for the Chechens, whom he has described as "parasites", and more from an acute and accurate foreboding of the damage the war would do to Russia.

position of the last Soviet commander in Afghanistan. General Boris Groniov, who is Minister. With General Lebed and General Gromov at the might be some chance of a real commitment to withdraw from Chechenia, However,

and Chechenia, General Lebed may find what many critics of military interventions have found: that it is one thing to crincise from opposinon. another to take responsi-

there. The story goes that General Grachev once delib-

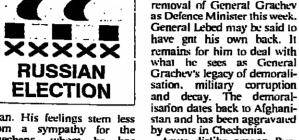
sation, military corruption and decay. The demoral-isation dates back to Afghanistan and has been aggravated

That has also been the noped to become Defence head of the armed forces, there

with regard to both Tajikistan

bility for withdrawal and possible humiliation. Afghanistan is also said to have seen the origins of General Lebed's personal dislike for General Pavel Grachev, who was his commander

erately kept him on duty for



by events in Chechenia. Acute dislike among Russian officers of unnecessary and pointless military opera-tions goes far beyond the two generals. A recent opinion poll of 600 Russian majurs and

colonels, commissioned anonymously by the US Livermore National Laboratory, indicated that big majorines not only opposed the future use of the military to suppress secessionist movements such as that in Chechenia, but even said they would refuse to obey such orders.

test or punish him.

If that is true, then with the

removal of General Grachev

what he sees as General

All this is far from the Western image of an aggressive and expansionist Russian military; but it is backed by anti-militarist attitudes now current throughout Russian society and is closely linked to a passionate desire among most young men not to do military service. The origins of

that sentiment also lie partly in the casualnes and suffering the Soviet troops in of Afghanistan. Herein, too, lie some of the roots of General Lebed's polit-

ical appeal, for he combines the image of a tough, patriotic, disciplined soldier with that of a moderate and restrained commander who hates military adventures and unnecessary loss of life.

In many ways, this is rather close to the combination of attributes that made General Colin Powell seem an ideal candidate for President of the United States. The resemblance is not a coincidence. General Powell's generation of American officers became far more cautious and thoughtful about military op-erations as a result of their own particular wartime experience; as has often been said,



The Russian election



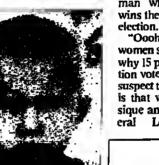
General Aleksandr Lebed at a pre-election meeting with his supporters. President Yeltsin yesterday appointed him National Security Adviser

# Army strongman turns shining knight

FROM CAREY SCOTT IN MOSCOW

IN RUSSIA, where men are expected to sleep around or drink themselves into oblivion, or both. General Aleksandr Lebed looks like a man who does neither. That could explain his unmistakable appeal for women voters.

Meet him in person and he immediately challenges you with his cold blue eyes, staring down from his imposing



height, daring you to hold his WOMEN'S VOTE gaze. It is an amusement for

him, a contest of wills. He handedly introduced some sex appeal to the Russian political forum. In a nation with a serious military hero culture, the girls always did like a man in uniform, and Gennadi Zyuganov and President Yeltsin are hardly heartthroh material,

> Sasha, as he is known. In his last army posting, in Transdnestr, women lay down on the runway to try to stop his plane leaving when he quit. They said they leared war would break out if he left. That, the rest of the female population realised when they got a look at him, was

Russian women, surrounded by weak, drunken excuses for husbands, are captivated by his masterly air, and his decision to become teetotal -"so that at least one person in this country is sober".

But sohriety alone does not guarantee charm. It was his wife Inna's pre-election television interview that revealed the soft romantic behind his tough exterior. She was giggly and girly, and irritatingly pretty, and showed us cute pictures of Sasha cuddling the Old English sheepdog he loves so much. She looked liked she actually loved him. And thousands of Russian women sighed and went to vote for their knight in shining armour. Carey Scott is Moscow correspondent of The Sunday

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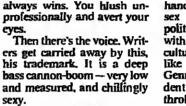
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and measured, and chillingly sexv. General Lebed, as everyone now knows, is the man of the moment, the kingmaker, the man who can decide who wins the Russian presidential

"Oooh, he's so bonest," women say when they explain why 15 per cent of the population voted for him. Perhaps. I suspect the more likely reason is that with his rugged physique and quick banter, General Lebed has single-

Enter General Lebed - or

just an excuse. The girls in Transdnestr just wanted him Times for themselves.







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# Italians reopen file on mystery of the Duce's death

The ghost of Mussolini returned to haunt Italy yesterday with the allegation that the dictator was shot not in an elegant villa by the partisan who later claimed the credit. but in a farmyard by Luigi Longo, who went on to become head of the Italian Communist Party in the 1960s.

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Italy is only now emerging from the legacy of fascism and communism, 50 years after the end of the war. In April, a centre-left Government was elected which included the Party of the Democratic Left or PDS, the former Communists, for the first time. On the right, the ideological heir of Mussolini's Blackshirts, the Alleanza Nazionale, bas transformed itself into a "post-Fascist" conservative force.

But Il Duce still has the power to stir controversy. Italians still point out the balcony in Rome from which he harangued the crowds. Above all, they remain obsessed with the manner of his death, which is still shrouded in mystery. There is no doubt that Mussolini and his mistress, Claretta Petacci, were captured on April 27, 1945, while trying to flee to Switzerland. They were shot the next day and strung up head down by piano wire from the roof of a petrol station in the Piazzale Loreto in Milan. According to the official partisan legend, they were killed by Walter Audisio, whose nom de guerre was Colonel Valerio, at a villa above Lake Como.

But in a book published yesterday Giorgio Pisano, a former neo-Fascist senator who has been investigating the Duce's death for 40 years, says that the killing took place not in the villa but in

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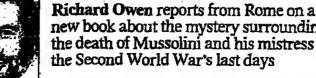
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a nearby farmyard, and that the man who pulled the trigger was not Colonel Valerio but Luigi Longo, a young Communist who headed the partisan Garibaldi Brigades. The partisan umbrella movement, the CLN (National



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new book about the mystery surrounding the death of Mussolini and his mistress in Liberation Movement), which included

the Communists, had agreed to hand over Mussolini to the Allies alive, Signor Pisano says. But secretly the Communists wanted the Duce dead, fearing that if he was put on trial he would continue to rally Fascist opinion. Walter Audisio admitted the killing to protect Signor Longo, who went on to become a leading postwar politician.

Signor Pisano's account, The Last Five Seconds of Mussolini, draws on the testimony of Dorina Mazzola, now in her seventies, but who as a girl of 19 watched the early-morning drama from her window a few feet from the farmyard. Signora Maziola says she heard shots as the partisans holding Mussolini captive fired at him inside the farmhouse. She then saw the bulky former dictator stagger into the yard. badly wounded, followed by his mistress, who was screaming. According to Signora Mazzola, who

says she has relived the "nightmare memory" every day since 1945, the partisans tied the former dictator to a stable door and shot him seven times until he fell dead into the manure. They then put a balaclava helmet over his head and pulled him out of the yard. with Petacci clinging to his legs as he was dragged along. Still screaming.

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and clutching a boot she had pulled off Mussolini's body, she tried to make a run for it, but was also shot dead. The bodies were washed and taken to the nearby villa for a fake execution before being taken to Milan to be displayed upside down.

The Italian press joined leading historians yesterday in calling on PDS ministers, who include Walter Veltroni, the Deputy Prime Minister, to open the Communist Party archives to establish whether Signor Pisano's account is correct.

According to The Last Five Seconds of Mussolini, one of the partisans involved had an expensive camera round his neck, suggesting photographs may have been taken of the farmyard killing as well as of the piano-wire hangings in Milan.

Last year Urbano Lazzaro, partisan who arrested Mussolini, said he believed the execution had been staged with corpses. Other accounts suggest that British special forces were involved and that Petacci was raped by partisans before being shot.

captain, said yesterday that he was

had said as the start of the trial that the verdict had already been decided in Herr Priebke's favour. (Reuter)



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disgusted by allegations that he and a colleague on the bench were biased in favour of the German. On Monday, Antonio Intelisano, the prosecutor, demanded the dismissal of the three-judge bench in the face of charges that at least one of the panel



Mussolini harangues Fascist followers outside his Rome headquarters in 1934

# Jackie Kennedy 'had affair with film star'

#### FROM QUENTIN LETTS IN NEW YORK

IMAGES of the late American First Lady. Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, as a lonely, wronged wife may need to be revised after claims that she had an extramarital affair with William Holden, the film actor.

A forthcoming book will state that Mrs Kennedy, whose husband John Kennedy was a relentless philanderer, also strayed. Christopher Andersen, author of Jack and Jackie, cites Gore Vidal, who was close to the Kennedys, as saying that Jackie Kennedy took Holden as her lover during a "brief affair" in 1955. The Kennedys' marriage was wo years old at the time and JFK was still the handsome.

(and roaming) senator from Massachusetts. Mr Andersen also quotes a former Kennedy aide, Roswell Gilpatric, as confirming spece coi Kennedy during her White House years. Gilpatric, who died this year aged 89, told the author that he and Mrs' Kennedy loved each other. She had certain needs, and I am afraid Jack was capable of giviog only so much." Gilpatric's funeral was attended by survivors of the Kennedy Administration and he was praised for his customary discretion. That is thought

to be the first time he went so.

far in discussing his relationship with the woman who set new standards for elegance in Washington. Previously, Gilpatric's friendship with Mrs Kennedy had been dated to the first years of her widowhood,

The allegations about Mrs Kennedy will be dismissed by some of her fans as needless muckraking, but others may draw some comfort from the suggestion that she allowed herself some pleasures while her husband was so often playing away from home. On the subject of the late

President, meanwhile, Mr Andersen identifies another possible conquest for Mr Kennedic the actress Audrey Hepbian, who an anonymous source in the book saw leaving

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York yesterday after officials acted decisively

on a problem shared by

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Wellingtoo: Clouds of thick volcanic ash from Mount Ruapehu grounded planes, closed five New Zealand airports and caused travel chaos yesterday. The eruption shot red hol rocks and debris thousands of feet into the air and tremors were felt 25 miles away. Towns and farms downwind to the nurth were blanketed by ash, but neither injuries nor damage have been reported. (AP)

#### **Bomber charge**

Washington: Theodore "Ted" Kaczynski, the reclusive former mathematics professor, has been charged as the Unabomber for four bomb attacks that killed two people and injured two others. (Reuter)

#### Call for curbs

Vienna: Jörg Haider, whose far-Right party won nearly a quarter of the votes in December's general election, called for curbs on Muslim immigration, saying it threatened Austrian culture. (Reuter)

#### Laos clean-up

Bangkok: An American military team arrived in Laos to help to clear out bombs and other devices. Delayed explo-sions have killed or maimed thousands since American forces dropped them. (AP)

#### **Refugees** return

Moorovia: The Zolotitsa, a Russian trawler carrying about 400 Liberian and other African refugees, has returned to Monrovia after three weeks at sea. She was turned away by Ghana and Togo. (AFP)

### Floods kill ten

Rabat: Six Moroccans, including a woman and her two children, and four French people died in storms and flooding in Morocco last weekend, MAP, the official news agency, said. (Reuter)

### Talked down

Windhoek: A man threatening suicide by jumping from a crane outside Namibia's new Supreme Court was saved when officials promised him a

# **Security scandal** deals new blow to White House

#### FROM TOM RHODES IN WASHINGTON

sight committee, said.

and the inauguration had no

his appointment as director in

1993. His only previous experi-

has since claimed that he was

once a public relations man

for a casino in Allantie City. During the campaign, Mr

THE White House, reeling man at the heart of the controversy, was being distanced quickly from any connection tu either the President or Mrs Clinton. The Republicans, alluding to the bad old days of J. Edgar

of Republicans. On the eve of congressional hearings into the scandal, Craig Livingstone, director of the personnel security nffice, was given administrative leave as the White House prepared to appoint a new security chief in his place.

The White House, facing Crincism has come not

and feared that "poor men, women and children will cat unregulated and uninspected flesh". A Coalition to Preveot the Destruction of Canada Geese was formed to co-ordinate protests.

The alternative view, more commonly held by the practical people of Clarkstown, is that the free goose meat will be welcomed by people who cannot oormally afford such delicacies. They see the scheme as a sensible way of redocing the numbers of Canada geese, which have floorished to near plague proportions and which leave a foul mess oo the village green, play areas and poblic

Charles Holbrook, the town supervisor, said he had expected some protests but that it made sense to feed hungry people with meat that would otherwise bave been thrown away. To demonstrate his faith in the goodness of the meat, Mr Holbrook will himself be sitting down to a supper of

gooseburgers.

ministrations as "egregious violations of privacy". Congress and Kenneth Starr, the independent counsel, begin today an investigadon into the improper request for background checks. The White House has continued to portray the episode as an innocent bureaucratic mistake, in which legally protected background information was gathered on such Republican notables as James Baker. the former Secretary of State:

for Newt Gingrich, the House Speaker.

from a barrage of criticism over Whitewater and "Travelgate", rapidly reshuffled its personnel security office yesterday and effectively dismissed the man responsible for improperly requesting FBI background files on hundreds

increasing Republican and internal complaints about invasion of privacy and misuse uf the agency, has been desperate 10 avoid further political damage for the Clintons at a ome when a damning Senate report on Whitewater has caused a downward surge in the polls for the President.

merely from Republicans but also from Louis Freeh, the FBI director. Last week Mr Freeh described the White House requisioon in 1993 and 1994 of FBI background documents on more than 400 people who had worked in previous ad-

Marlin Fitzwater, the former press secretary; and Tony Blankley, now the spokesman

Livingstone: has lost job "We have seen nothing that Livingstone was always the contradicts that view," said overweight advance man, weighed down by bleepers and walkie-talkies, whose one White House official, who denied that Mr Livingstone had been disciplined. "But very clearly there is a need for saunter gave the impression he was in the Secret Service a more senior management when in fact his job was to structure at the office." There was little doubt, how- book hotels and ensure that

ly. Once in office, however, he had quickly entisted the temporary services of his old friend Anthony Marceca, a civilian sleuth with the Army's criminal investigation command, to help in processing Hoover, are asking whether Mr Livingstone had harthe vast pile of security clear-ance forms at the White nessed the powers of Ameri-House. The FBI files built up ca's foremosi law-enforcement and were stored for two years agency for political ends. They in a small safe behind the said Mr Livingstone was security chief's desk. Both men merely the latest in a lung line now have emerged as the of scapegoats fur the Clintons.

central figures in the affair. Those who know Mr Living-"Obviously they are going to throw anyone to the wulves stone well, and refer to him they can to protect the Presipatronisingly as Craig Flintdent and First Lady and then stune, believe even he must have realised he should not act like nothing has happened." Dan Burton, the Indihave had the list, but continana Republican on the House ued to allow the files into the government reform and uversecurity office because of his love of intrigue and desperate Mr Livingstone, who had need for acceptance. worked on the 1992 campaign

Two years ago, Mr Livingstone said his main lask was to background in security before remain unnoticed. "My job is to remain invisible." he said "If t am around, something is ence, it seems, was as a resrong. taurant bouncer, although he

That certainly has been the case ever since. Mr Livingstone has been party to most of this Administration's bleakest moments, In May 1993, on the day that seven members of the Travel Office were dismissed, it was he who wrole the memorandum barring them entry to the White House. When Vincent Foster, the deputy White House counsel, was found dead in a park outside Washington, Mr Livingstone had accompanied William Kennedy, the associate counsel, to identify the body.

Two Secret Service agents have since said they saw him leaving the lift beside Foster's suite with a briefcase and box of documents, but Mr Livingstone has always denied he removed any notes from the office.

Although the White House has tried to portray Mr Living-stone as clueless, it is a picture that does not match one offered last week by Gary Al-drich, a former FBI agent who spent five years assigned to the White House. In an article in The Wall Street Journal. Mr Aldrich described Mr Living-

from above.

INTRODUCTORY LAUNCH OFFER



Investigators search the charred wreckage of the Hills Chapel Missionary Baptist Church in Rocky Point, North Carolina, for clues to the arson attack

# American arson attacks claim four more churches

#### By TOM RHODES

PRESIDENT CLINTON will tigate the blazes at the Mount Pleasant and Central Grove meet governors of the South-Missionary Baptist churches ern states in Washington today to debate his latest but seemed unable to shed any light on what many suspect are more cases of racially domestic crisis - a continuing arson epidemic that left a inspired arson. further four churches in "We've got no cycwitnesses and no evidence," said James Cavanagh, an agent for the

flames within 24 hours. Two black Mississippi churches only four miles apart Federal Bureau of Alcohol, were destroyed by fire in the Tobacco and Firearms. "This early hours of yesterday morning while another two were razed in North Carolina and Georgia during the previous night

FBI and arson specialists vere called into the Mississip

tion is predominantly white, were destroyed by fire, adding to the growing caseload of nearly 40 church buildings that have been destroyed by fire in the past 18 months.

Mr Clinton, who has devoted much attention to the issue and visited the site of a burnt shell in South Carolina last week, issued another appeal. There is not another country in the history of the world that has valued religious liberty and values religious expres-

is getting disgusting." It is getting disgusting." Earlier, the Hills Chapel sion more than the United Missionary Baptist at Rocky States," he said. "And this Point, North Carolina, and the

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ever, thal Mr Livingstone, the campaign events ran smooth-

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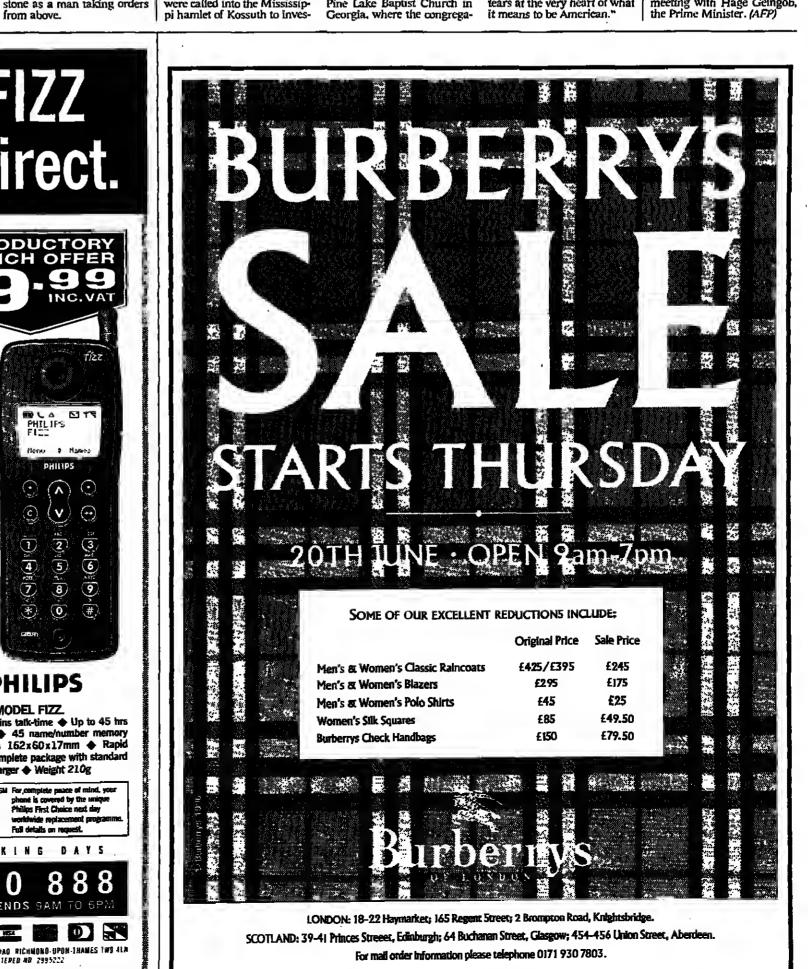
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# The look isn't everything

ritain's young graduates should forget concepts and get back to the basics

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IN THE 1970s. rock music gave us the concept album (who could forget groups such as Yes and Genesis?), and in the 1980s we were treated to conceptual art (remember those bricks). Now the 1990s

offers conceptual fashion. This year's crop of fashion graduates (the designers of tomorrow) who showed their end-of-course collections in London last week at Bhs Graduate Fashion Week - 25 catwalk presentations and exhibition space showcasing more than 1,000 students, culminating in a Gala Awards show - don't appear to be worrying about something as boring as clothes. For the most part, these young hopefuls are content to sell an idea, a mood, a look.

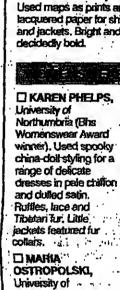
The cult of the fashion stylist is to blame. The stylists (a phenomenon which emerged during the style-obsessed 1980s) can flaunt their imagination on the pages of glossy magazines and even on the catwalks when employed by international designers to give their collections that certain look. A stylist can take a dress, turn it inside out, team it with a hat by Philip Treacy and shoes by Manolo Blahnik and call it cutting edge. They can also take an exquisite gown by a couturier and make it look cheap and nasty. All in the name of fashion. The designer must hold that thought, pon-











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TOMEK SOWACKI. Ravensbourne College. Added creamy lake fur collars on boxy coats worn over simply constructed tops. A touch of the futura. INIC ROOME, Royal College of Art. Showed an ultra-slim silhouette with some of the best shirts and s

featuring lizerd logos and swimming pool file. checks. JOSEPH GRIMES

Royal College of Art. Offered a brightly coloured, slick look reminiscent of the heroes of Miami Vice."

RICHARD CAPSTICK, Central Saint Martins. Gave a fresh look to blazers, wide trousers and pull-on polo tops in dusty stels and washed-out denim. Bed taste makes good.

D PETER HAWKINGS, Middlesex University. Used maps as prints and lacquered paper for shirts and jackets. Bright and -

it and me "indulgent".

Being a designer is hard work: it requires a great amount of training and the acquisition of many skills, not least business acumen and self-restraint.

A large number of the students who showed during the week appear to be little more than frustrated stylists - for them the look is everything. Fine if they are happy to relinquish the title, and status, of designer, but why waste so much time, energy and money giving them the opportunity to do so on a catwalk?

There is another. more worrying problem. Nouveau tailoring appears to involve little knowledge and few skills. Many of the collections featured tortured fabric twisted into hysterical costume dramas or scary sci-fi designs.

The students should be encouraged to look at the body (through classes in life drawing). They should also be compelled to study both historical designers and examine the work of contemporary designers - and not just the trendy few. Too many

KAREN PHELPS: pretty party dresses given a spooky edge

choice of fabric which can

bastardised versions of the clothes by Brit brat-pack designers Alexander McQueen, against. Menswear is primari-Hussein Chalayan and Owen ly a package of components --Gaster appeared over and the jacket, the shirt, a pair of over again. Sad. trousers. It is then the importance of the cut, colour, and

What is wrong with fashion education if it allows these students merrily to go on copying the work of existing designers with seam for seam precision? There must surely be a moment during their courses when the educators have the opportunity to point out this bad case of dejà vu. These young people should be encouraged to become individuals with fresh ideas which genuinely challenge rather than being content to be a second-rate McQueen. Even

McQueen agrees. There is some good news. Excitement was provided by those students who chose to design something new for men to wear. Perhaps the confines of the discipline provide a framework within which the fledgeling designers

can work, while still giving make or break a garment. them something to kick Detail counts.

Those students who really stood out kept it simple. They identified a market, created something to suit their own particular taste and style, and deverly packaged it within an

inch of manufacture. All they need now is for some canny businessman to approach them with a cheque book and sign on the dotted line. A nice surprise at the Royal College of Art show was a

MARIA OSTROPOLSKI: carefully co-ordinated tailoring

the collection of milliner Pip Hackett was dressed by firstyear student Karsten Fielitz, who also won the Lagerfeld Prize with an elegant satin dress. Fielitz is a name to warch. Something to look for-

ward to next year, I guess.

glimmer of hope for the future:

Westminster. Mixed 9ar-insoired tailoring with luxunous looking silk procade dresses in a beautifully co-ordinated collection." SARAH WYATT, Middlesex University." Showed slinky white jersey cut into long-line coats, wom over slimline dresses and flowing trousers. AMANDA LOUNT, -\*\* University of Central Lancashire. Layered 7 chunky parmeal initted coats and cardigans over brocade anoraks and trousers: Eventa sheepskin coat thrown in. SHAIRON CHAN. University of Brighton. Used light layers over dusty taffeta. Dresses feature unexpected. slashes and dipping hemlines. ANDREAS MELBOSTAD, Royal:



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JOSEPH GRIMES: colourful cuts are Miami nice

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# The new vulgarity is no joke

Strippagrams are almost a routine fixture at office parties these days, to the delight of the sniggering classes. But who really finds them funny?

really think it is going a bit far to claim that having a strippagram manacle you to your office desk in full view of your taunting colleagues is to suffer the same trauma as a rape victim, but I concede that the difference is one of degree. It is, however, a crucial difference. Soll, I shudder with sympathy for Gail Steele, who is trying to bring a case against her former employers for having organised, as an office jape, a male stripper to handcuff her, blindfold her and humiliate her in public. My concern here, this time, is

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not so much whether such cases should be brought or what they

say about society or the balance of power between the sexes but, rather, the nature of these ghastly ianes themselves. Not so long ago it would have been inconceivable that a firm of opticians would arrange for a man to perform a striptease in their office that he would be hired expressly to humiliate someone with licenoous and overbearingly sexual behaviour. Now it's all but routine. We are all expected to find this fun-

ny. But this isn't so much a joke as an act of aggression. True, the two

can often be one and the same thing, but that doesn't explain quite why coarseness has become so socially acceptable.

Vulgarity has become the norm. It would be foolish to pretend it is, in itself, anything new. This is, after all, the country of the kissme-quick hat and the saucy seaside postcard. But the new vulgarity is different: it's malicious, it's mean, it wants to embarrass and discomfit, And, quite simply, there's more of it about. I don't mean in the sense that it's no longer just a way people have of letting their hair down in private, between themselves -although that's true - but that it has permeated the whole of soci-, barriers, But barriers, any has permeated the whole of soci-, barriers, But some barriers are ety. Vulgarity has never exactly a desirable. There should be a been a class thing: the Hooray so distinction made between what is Henry at his bunfight is as<sup>34</sup> private and public. Pretending

uncouth as the lager lout spewing up his vindaloo in the curry house. But now crudity is the preserve of the respectable middle classes, too. And it's everywhere.

Driving behind a Volvo the other day, I noticed a sticker on its rear window which read: -Honk if you had it last night." A billboard poster for an unwired bra has the line: "Who says a woman can't get pleasure from something soft?" It may be impossible to object to this sort of thing without sounding prissy, but that's to the point in itself. Everyone seems happy, eager even. to talk about their most inomate sexual experiences in

public now. Not to have the appetite either to listen or to divulge is to show oneself as a prude. It's seen as a sign of repression.

and ever since the Sixties people have been atraid of being thought of as inhib ited and frigid. Openness is the

great god now, a noholds-barred honesty the Holy Grail, 1 am all for openness and honesty, but i cannot see why that sanctions the undignified spectacle of constant self-exposure. To your own

Nigella Lawson self be true, by all means; but somewhere along the line that has been construed as dictating that you should talk freely about your sexual history to any-

one who asks, or walk down the streets in your underwear. If you wish to keep private matters private, you are treated as if there were something psychologically suspect about you. The new vulgarity is about as specious as the new classlessness: it's a phoney stratagem. Both stem from the same misunderstandings. Both are about reducing

everything to the lowest common

denominator. There's a fake egali-

tarianism at play here. Distinc-

tions are seen to be bad: lack of distinctions good. Break down

those barriers, all barriers, any



that such a distinction can only be hypocritical - and that is the claim made - is self-deluding phooey. Vulgarity is one thing: the to ennoble it quite attempt another.

The new vulgarity is often described, with varying degrees of rueful fondness, as laddishness, But laddishness at some level suggests friendliness, even if it is a boisterous, weigh-heighing and frankly rebarbative sort of friendliness. Everyday vulgarity isn't friendly.

here is something odd in thinking that any form of embarrassment is just a good laugh. Take Red Nose Day, and all that. I don't for one instant criticise what is done, the charitable work, the good

intentions and the good deeds: but I find myself appalled by the jolly jape-ishness. I'd rather give my bit. without having to turn myself into clown or witness other people doing it. Vulgarity always carries with it some notion of pretentiousness.

The affected "refained" accent, the swags and furbelows of petit bourgeois aspiration - these have customarily been despised as vulgar. But if the old vulgarity was seen as the province of those who vainly wished to appear better than they were, the new vulgarity insists that we must be worse than we are. I do not use worse in a class sense -, I don't belleve in stations in life or any of that - but

this crude embracing of all that is coarse, undignified, sniggering and prurient is a tremendous admission of bad faith. tt's the sniggering quality that is so very unnerving. in the Sixties,

people wanted to be open because they felt that the repressiveness of the Fifties, and before, had led to a society of snickerers. Get rid ol repression and the age of the double entendre would be dead, But it hasn't happened. We are, as a society at any rate, less repressed than we used to be. But if anything the sniggering has increased. Prurience is everwhere: sex is equated as sleaze. Now, one doesn't want to sound all French and precious about this, but there is something spectacularly seamy about the lavatorial jokeyness of any public

discussion about sex. The tabloid sensibility -- which, broadly speaking, is the popular sensibility - is uncouth, and insists that we all be uncouth, at pain of charges of hypocrisy. Mandi Norwood, the editor of Cosmopolitan, questioned about the sexual obsessions of women's magazines (recent coverlines: Girls Who Like Girls, The Man Who Teaches Women to Orgasm, My Lover Left Me For My Brother) explains that "voyeurism exists right across the media and people are reacting very positive-ly". The sad truth is, she's right. But there's no point criticising the press and television for reflecting reality: the awful thing for all of us is that that is what reality is like.



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The victim: Gail Steele, who was not amused at being manacled to her desk and blindfolded

# Norman conquest of Dr Sex

THE Spanisb writer and psy-chologist Elena Ochoa - the "ch" is pronounced as in cheque-book - was intro-duced to Freud at 13. Twenty years later, she met the muchmarried Sir Norman Foster and Freud obviously came in handy - Spanish siren and British architect are to wed. Señora Ochoa, like most



Tunku Varadarajan on a British architect and his Spanish siren

Spanish women of today, has de Sexo (Let's Talk Sex). A dyed blonde hair. Immensely professor of psychology at a Madrid university, blessed photogenic, she cut a striking with what Spaniards call a dash on television some four pico de oro - the gift of the gab, she was quickly dubbed years ago when she hosted a programme called Hablamos Dr Sex and talked her way each week into the national

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Sir Norman now is three years old, and she has lived in London for some time. "I am an anglophile," she confessed to a Spanisb reporter recently, relishing every possible conootation of that word. Sir Norman has recent experience of divorce too, hav-

Britain. Her relationship with

ing disentangled himself from his second wife. Sabiha. in London last August. Señora Ochoa is as different from "the Begum", as the Pakistani

Sir Norman is marrying a rather frank woman. Her Sabiha is known, as Madrid is from Lahore. She is amiprogramme, ground-breakable, for a start, while the ing for still-puritan Spain, dealt in considerable detail Begum was "insufferably grand", to use a phrase directwith such matters as orgasms, G-spots, erections, masturbaed at her in a 1993 court battle oon, impotence, frigidity, sex in which she sued HM Customs and Excise for "slander aids, homosexuality, adolesby conduct" and lost.

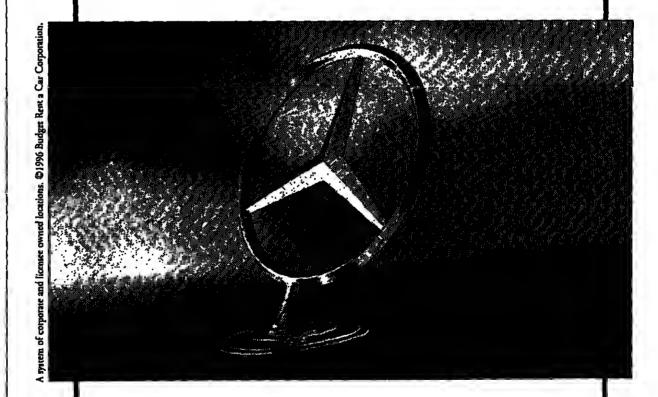
cent sex and sex between pensioners. Señora Ochoa's Señora Ochoa is also a celebrity in Spain - as Sir Norman is, after a fashion, in success was due more to the seriousness with which she Britain - and this should addressed these issues than to bring an important balance to among a high-profile

union. She writes a regular column in 'Sir the Sunday colour magazine of El Pais, the Madrid Norman is daily, although she marrying is often guilty of froth-mongering. a rather Her last column began: "One of the frank stories 1 am going to tell yoo consists. woman' in telegraphic terms, in the fol-

lowing: gentleman are as short as her doctorate rich in success - private and public - with stupendous was long. "Her forthcoming woman for wife ...." On marriage to British architect another occasion, she penned Sir Norman Foster, one of the this fulsome line in a love richest men in the world, will story: "We kept our secret. be a civil ceremony in caressing it as we would some London." cooed one of them golden velvet. The only exterearlier this week. The story nal sign that could give us was accompanied by pictures away was the mother-of-pearl of Sir Norman and Senora seashell that you gave me, Ochoa (both looking stern after a possible brush with and with which you swore paparazzi) in Granada, "enelernal love." joying together the Andalu-

BUT Señora Ochoa has aisian city's charm and beauty". ways combined these excur-Nearly a quarter of a century younger than Sir Norman, sions into well paid pap with her more scholarly pursuits as Señora Ochoa has just oba psychologist. She has writtained a divorce from another much older man, the Catalan ten extensively on schizophreessayist and bon viveur Luis nia and is working on a book on Alzheimer's disease. As Racionero, to whom the Spanfortune would have it, one of ish press refers, with characher academic papers took her teristic exaggeration, as a to Cambridge, where she first philosopher". After his divorce. Senor Racionero Iold mel Sir Norman. After that, it Hold magazine that he was was adios Sigmund Freud, welcome Frank Lloyd Wright. "sad and depressed", but that There's nothing like a good Life goes on for Señora British building to turn a Spanish woman on. Ochoa, 100, presumably in

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Men do behave badly - that's why we must ration our swearing

sit here, and I type "f\*\*\*". The Times typesetter sits there, and he sets "f\*\*\*". And what do you, wherever you are sitting, read? Of course you do. You do not sting, read? Of course you do. You do not read "fian". You do not read "frog". You do not read "file". You do not even read "fasterisks". You look at "f\*\*\*", and there in your head is the only word it could be. That is part of "f\*\*\*"s" charm: in this era when anything goes and almost everything has gone. "f\*\*\*" is a delicate runic nod towards past proprieties, at least as far as The Times is concerned.

Is concerned. Or, rather, as far as The Times is concerned with hacks like me: were The Times to quote, say, Philip Larkin, then it would happily reinstate the three asterisked letters, since art has absolved them of conspiracy to upset. This does, of course, upset me a little: I have sometimes, in the rilly wayshes of the pilet teased myself by stilly watches of the night, teased myself by wondering whether the day would ever come when The Times considered me enough of an artist to allow me similar licence, but I have always known the dusty answer.

Or rather. I have always known it until this week. Now I am not so sure; but that uncertainty has nothing to do with any unlikely change in my status, what it has everything to do with is the likely change in the status of "f\*\*\*" itself. Thus now enter Martin Clunes, star jug-cared wag of the popular BBCI sit-com. Men Behaving Badly, for the moment has come for him to be the star of this column, too. Because, though Mr Clunes may look as though he was kneaded together by the master plasticinier who gave us Wallace and Gromit, he is in fact very much his own man. We know this because he is even more famous than Philip Larkin for using "f\*\*\*" (having used it most famously live on TV) and now stands on the threshold of, quite literally, yet greater f\*\*\*ing standom. For to-morrow, a new series of Men Behoving Budly starts on BBCI, but at the later time of 9.35 pm, so that, in the enthusiasoc words of Mr Clunes to umpteen interviewers over the past few days, "there can be a lot more swearing". And though atypically coy about whether "f\*\*\*" would be uttered this time around, he confidently promised that it very soon would be, because "before much longer it will be acceptable even in programmes for children. It is only a word."

h blimey!, as we didn't used to be allowed to cry, certainly not in a quality newspaper. Only a word, Mr Clunes? What the hell, forgive me, does that mcan? Not only is no word only a word, but "f\*\*\*" is a very special word indeed, which is precisely why I am horrified at the notion of its being rendered so unspecial that Blue Peter presenters will before much longer be telling their infant fans that this is one I made a bit f\*\*\*ing earlier. But lest you jump to any conclusions about what it is that horrifies me, let me tell you what makes "f\*\*\*" so very special. It is that it is one of the tiny handful of real expletives left. Oaths, Mr Clunes, are a diminishing resource. They are a threatened species. They tester on the brink of extinction. Once, there were thousands, until profligate and thoughtless usage killed them off. Once, if a man banged his thumb with a hammer, he cried "Damn!" This, of course, upset bystanders who hitherto had heard nothing worse than "Darn!", but pretty soon even children were crying "Damn!" without getting an ear clipped, which meant that if thumb-hammerers were adequately to express their feelings, something earthier - as it were, "Sod!" - had to be pressed into service. As it did in all those other human situations where this pressure or that rage, urgency, despair, dissent, all the rest of man's vast unstable range - needed to vent itself in that very special emphasis which only the expletive offers.

And so it went on, until now they have all

but vanished. And when they have vanished

utterly, as they will if Mr Chunes has his way,

we shall not be able to make any new ones,

any more than we are able to make new

dodos. Britons will have, in extremis. noth-

ing left to shout. That, and not for the prissy

reasons normally advanced, is why the BBC

must vigorously resist. That, too, is why The

Times must never allow me one jot more

licence than it has today. For f\*\*\*'s sake.



# **Death of a Peace Process**

erhaps it is an ill wind that blows no good. Perhaps the car bomb, the suction blast, the glass storm, the mangled steel and bleeding skulls of Manchester may induce a change of heart, a turning point on the famous road to sanity. I refer not to the Irish Republican Army. That is a hopeless case. I refer to the rest of us.

Ten years have passed since Margaret Thatcher signed the Anglo-Irish agreement at Hillsborough. Her intention was to marginalise the IRA from Ulster politics. With the co-operation of the Irish Government, sectarian violence would diminish. That would open an opportunity for political reform, a "rolling" withdrawal of British rule and perhaps even the reunion of Ireland. An industry of diplomacy and security sprang into being. The great and good indulged in a flatulence of dialogue. Scepticism was damned. Tough guys were refused dinner. Americans behaved even worse than usual.

The policy failed and is long dead. The cadaver has been slapped, spoken to sweetly, put on life-support, propped up

Britain's Cabinet is the principal obstacle

### to the real process of peace, which will never come from appeasing the IRA

the IRA. This did not happen. The secur-ity lobby, whose ability to immobilise journalists play the terrorist's game, the next step will be censorship. Like most Britons, I instinctively want the Province change in Ulster equals that of the IRA. to take back its squalid politics and disappear, to stop wrecking British cities won out. I lost count of new Secretaries of State who would sink into a Stormont and British civil liberties.

Yet liberalism orew the line at the Downing Street declaration of 1993. L'Ister's future may lie in self-government and in a new relationship with Britain and the South. That must mean constitutional change. But the timing of that change cannot be left to a body such as the IRA's army council. That was the error after Hillsborough. The error grew monstrous in the negotiations that

preceded and followed the 1994 ceasefire, the Hume-Adams deal and the cynical Clinton-Adams deal. Pumping the IRA full of oxygen and money was idiotic. It gave Mr Adams publicity and votes. It could never change the IRA, because it did not deliver a united Ireland. Eventually it was bound to undermine the Adams generation of Sinn Fein leaders and bring a new group into the ascendancy. That group would call Mr Adams in from the cold, as it did in Manchester on Saturday. IRA violence will not disappear for a long time. In Spain, the Basques have been given virtual self-rule. That has not stopped them killing. When "the families" can no longer find a reason for killing outsiders, they kill each other, as the Sicilians have always done and as the IRA has done of late. It is in the tribal blood. Violence, vendetta and gangsterism take generations to work out of a community. Ask the New York Police Department. The revival nf local politics can squeeze this culture, perhaps marginalise it and reduce its traumatic impact. Political inertia - in the case of Northern Ireland, ossification - does the opposite. It sets violence on a plinth and pours libations to it. It hands gunmen the initative. For a decade the IRA, a minority within a minority, has been

given the keys to the future of the Province.

Recent British policy - and that of the Irish and American Governments - has not been one of optimism or consensus or giving peace a chance. It has not been a talks policy and certainly not a Peace Process. It has been a brave but snipid gamble with appeasement. The frame-work proposals now before the gather-

ing at Stormont are not new. The same dreary cast has pondered the same dreary power-sharing scheme for years. Only an idiot could possibly have thought that summoning Senator George Mitchell as chairman of the peace talks would lead to anything other than a Unionist walkout. What has an American politician to du with reordering local government in Britain, ur even with bilateral relations between two European Union states? Everyone at Stormont should go home.

et there is a second peace process under way in Northern Ireland, to which I have often L referred before. It is still running, and in far better shape than the one with capital letters. It reflects the commercial and cultural renewal of Ulster, based on public money and the reduction of sectarian conflict by means of "ethnic cleansing". Over the past ten years, the two communities in Northern Ireland have diverged, vacating terrnory and partiooning the Province along religious lines. There is some evidence that district politics is reviving on the basis of stronger segregated majorides. strong enough to show some tolerance to minorities. Ulster west of the River Bann is now all but a Catholic state-within-a-state. There is no reason why this peace process working from the ground upwards should not be developed into fully devolved local government. It is the one grassroots gain that can be credited to two years of relative calm. The IRA appears to have no wish to recommence sectarian violence within Ulster. Sinn Fein is working alongside its old enemies on local councils. There is no need for the histrionics, exclusions and posturing of Stormont for this voyage to local democracy to proceed. The principal obstacle is the British Cabinet. It wants victories, deals, handshakes and signatures with big names up in lights. It has a necrophiliac obsession with the Peace Process, but cannot see the real process of peace, alive but in need of its sustenance.

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Howard's end: escape from crime Harsh sentences do deter, says **Elizabeth Noel** 

n penal policy, the tide appears at last to be turning against the liberal orthodoxy which has held sway for a generation. A more practical consensus is emerging in favour of making more obvious the link between the seriousness of an offence and the severity of the sen-tence. Even so, there will be a predict-able chorus of opposition to Michael Howard's proposal for mandatory minimum sentences, outlined in his White Paper. Protecting the Public, which will be debated today in the Commons. These will affect those convicted for a second time of violent and sexual offences, and for those convicted for a third time of dealing in hard drugs or

domestic burglary. The Home Secretary's critics argue that his sentencing proposals simply amnunt to a public relations exercise which will do linle to reduce crime and may even exacerbate the problem. But there is every reason to believe that his proposals will make sense to the ordinary public and — paradoxically, but most importantly — to criminals themselves.

Some senior judges believe that habit-Some senior judges believe that habit-ual criminals are more likely to be deter-red by the risk of detection than by the threat of longer in prison. Though familiar, this argument depends on a curious logic, since the threat of detec-tion only becomes significant when it leads to a substantial penalty. For instance, most drivers have broken the legal speed limit, but the vast majority never drive above 100mph, not only be-cause of the safety risk, but because they believe that if caught they could well lose their licences. If a burglar or armed robber knew there was a 100 per cent chance of detection. but the penalty turned out to be negligible, the certainty of detection would become irrelevant, as would the deterrent.

Would the deterrent. Most criminals understand only too well the penalties attached to different criminal offences. Prisoners are entirely candid in their explanations for why they have switched from burglary to shoplifting, from this ing to cigarette rackets, from stealing to handling stolen goods. They have changed their area of speciality because the penalties for these offences are lighter. Where possible, most criminals (like most businessmen) opt for activities in which the profits are

reasonable and the risks are low. I remember one inmate who had been regularly smuggling cigarettes from Belgium to Gateshead. Finally, he was caught and given a three-month prison, sentence. To him, this short indignity was a fair swap. Smuggling, after all, had paid for "some really great holidays with the kids". But he was not prepared to break the law in instances where the prison sentence was more arduous. The risk-reward ratio was unacceptable. For many career burglars, the occasional stretch "inside" is an acceptable occupational hazard. Home Office statistics show that the average Crown Court sentence for a persistent burglar in 1993-94 was a little more than 19 months, barely three months more than that handed down for a first offence. Can it be right that a persistent offender, responsible in some cases for hundreds of burglaries, should serve a sentence scarcely more severe than that of a first-timer? If you are a burglar with seven or more convictions, there is only a one in four chance that a Crown Court will send you to prison at all: And your chances of escaping custody are considerably better in a magistrates' court.

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in its coffin. Three years ago, in 1993, John Major changed his tactic. Rather than marginalise the IRA, he decided to be nice to it. He strapped the dead policy to his horse and sent it back into battle, like the corpse of El Cid. The corpse has totally disintegrated. Even its ghost has cried enough.

At the time I thought Mr Major's gamble was a mistake. The ceasefire was no more likely to last than previous ones. The Government was putting the IRA on a pedestal and vastly boosting its prestige. The endgame - talks leading to devolution - was inherently unstable. What was canonised as the Peace Process had become an end in itself. When a nolitician uses the word process, we do well to stop our clocks.

The IRA made no such mistake. Its goal is trish reunification, not a rotating seat on an Ulster tourism committee. Last year's "framework document" offered only more committees. True, a ceasefire happened and Mr Major spun out the Peace Process to the point at which, a year ago, the sceptics became incertain. Had the IRA really been bamboozled by The Star Spangled Banner and the prospect of a Stormont salary? After a century of fighting the British, had it really changed its spots? It had not. The Hillsborough strategy should have been warning enough. It demanded swift movement to political devolution, irrespective of the antics of

and they have not lost it. The one novelty since the Docklands bomb has been an apparent readiness by the Cabinet to proceed with constitutional reform without a further ceasefire. It could have done that at any time

intelligence.

This gave the initia-

tive to the gunmen,

in the past decade. The one lesson the IRA has learnt over these two years is that a Briosh Government only jerks to attention at the sound of a bomb. The Cabinet's timing, its compromises, concessions, phraseology have all reacted to the rhythm of the bombing. A policy that had an IRA ceasefire for a heart was bound to die with the death of that ceasefire. That is not scepticism but anatomy.

> views on Northern Ireland are those, I believe, of any liberal. [ abhor this week's talk from the Right about internment, a "security clamp-down" and of tipping the wink to the loyalist paramilitaries. Parliament's panic reform of the Prevention of Terrorism Act over Easter was useless and demeaning. On Monday I came close to smashing my television as I watched ITN doing the IRA's job by intoning: "Who knows how long it will be before a 13-year-old feels safe to go shopping in Manchester again?" If

armchair, flick the Ulster fluff from their

trouser-legs and assure me that ending

violence was a precondition of political

progress. British ministers loved sol-

diers. They talked of "defeating the IRA"

as if they were dealing with Rommel in

the Libyan desert. They would constant-

ly claim that the tide was turning, the IRA was "exhausted with the fight". Oh

those reassuring spies, that high-grade

The search for alternatives to custody - central to the liberal orthodoxy - culminated in the Criminal Justice Act of 1991 which stipulated that judges should not consider previous offences when handing down sentence. This achieved its desired aim of stabilising - and at one point reducing - the prison population. But it also meant that many habitual crimi-nals had little to fear. That Act represented the triumph of officialdom over common sense. Conservatives should now admit that it was a failure.

Comparisons have been made between the Home Secretary's White Paper and recent developments in America. In the first six months after Washington State introduced "three strikes and you're out", murders fell by 10 per cent, rapes by 18 per cent and assaults by 4 per cent. Even hardened criminals were visibly chastened by the new rules. The director of Seattle's sex offender registration programme has said that some criminals are leaving the state, and that others are taking up drug and alcohol treatment they had refused in prison. Inmates at Seattle's King County Jail said they thought the new rules "unfair", but every single one said they would think twice before committing a third "strike". Several states are pursuing prison building programmes and introducing longer sentences for persistent criminals. In Texas, this approach has delivered a 30 per cent reduction in crime since 1988, and the serious crime rate is at its lowest for two decades.

Michael Howard has been careful to avoid the less satisfactory aspects of some of these sentencing models, in particular by ensuring that his proposals are targeted. A humane sentencing structure should offer an escape route from crime, but the Home Secretary's first objective must be to protect the public from those who do not have any inclination to change.

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Howe's that?

BARONESS THATCHER is said to be appalled by the Queen's Birthday Honours List published on Saturday. In what many regard as a direct snub to Her Ladyship, John Major has appointed her mortal eneny, Geoffrey Howe, a Companion of Honour, the highest accolade a Prime Minister can grant.

The CH is usually reserved for distinguished artists, thinkers and clder statesmen. Previous recipients include Sir Alec Guinness, Sir Michael Tippett, "Dadie" Rylands and the late Lord Goodman. Thatcher conferred one on the Nobel prizewinning economist and freemarket guru Friedrich Hayek.

Not only does she believe that Lord Howe of Aberavon has yet to achieve elder stalesman status, but she is also concerned that he is still actively involved in British politics. He was tipped to succeed Lord Mackay of Clashfern as Lord Chancellor if the divorce Bill had been thrown out, and he acts as a spokesman for the Europhile wing of the Tory party. To add insult, it was his Commons speech that precipitated Thatcher's downfall in 1990. "She is said to be incandescent,"

says a friend. "He couldn't have displeased her more." There are even those who believe that Lady Thatcher may

have caught a glimpse of the Birthday Honours List before it was officially published. Why else would she have infuriated John Major by giving money to Bill Cash's European Foundation? As Lord Prior, one of the wets she dispatched from her Cabinet, told me the other night: "It might explain the donation."



• My friend Michael Portillo is still suffering the hangover of the rowdy party he held which drowned out the Beating Retreat ceremony on Horse Guards where Princess Morgaret took the salute. Hugh Bayley, Labour MP for York, has asked in o written parliamentary question for the identities of the party guests. The Defence Secretary is reticent in reply: "It is not my practice to give such information."

# In a pickle

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ABSENT yesterday from Ascot was the Heinz tycoon and victorious owner Dr Tony O'Reilly. The former rugby international is under doctor's orders to cut down on globe-crossing, so he missed his two-year-old colt Verglas romping to victory in the Coventry Stakes.

forced him to pull out of the glittering ball at the Dorchester on Mon-day night in aid of the freland Fund, of which he is chairman. Yesterday he was heading for his Irish home to recuperate. and there is now concern about the future of his lavish parties at the Irish Derby and the Heinz 57 Stakes. Friends assure me, how-ever, that they are still dead certs.

An infection of the inner ear also

**Takes pluck** FORGET the ostrich plumes sported to such effect this week at the ceremony where the Duke of Devonshire and Sir Timothy Colman



Feathers flying at Ascot

were installed as Knights of the Garter. The feathers to top any hat this year should come from succulent farmyard geese.

Master milliner Philip Treacy. whose customers include the smartest in the Royal Enclosure at Ascot, has developed a meringuelike titler out of goose feathers. Look out for it on Ladies' Day. The raw material is easy to get hold of and surprisingly versa-ole." he explains. "Curled, they look just like lilies."

• Donold Trump is holding on attic sale. After the extraordinory success of the sale of the Morquess of Bristol's artefocts from the fam-ily home in Suffolk. Trump hos announced that he too is to hold on ouction of chantels from his mansion at Seven Springs ond Mor-a-Lago. Christie's says he is getting rid of the knick-knocks so as to modernise the vast property, creating "a world-class golf course ond social club" at the mansion. Top draw is likely to be n cut-gloss chandelier in Louis XVI style, val-ued at \$15,000.

## Scots shocks

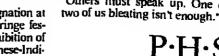
TOP TTP for moral indignation at this year's Edinburgh Fringe festival is a one-woman exhibition of the Kama Sutra. A Japanese-Indi-



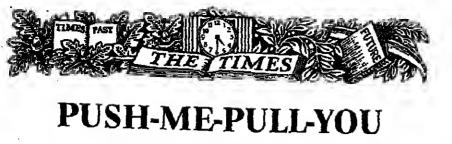
Instant Kama: Shakti

an dancer by the name of Shakti is planning, with a troupe of assistants, to act out its tips.

Her show is played down as pretty suggestive" by a festival organiser. But Moira Knox, a Tory councillor and batile-hardened veteran of the Fringe's moral majority, is sharpening her knitting needles. "I can't believe people want to see this stuff." she says. Others must speak up. One or



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### Blair is facing two ways on Europe

Tony Blair's speech to German businessmen vesterday was one of which the Prime Minister himself might have been proud. No expression of support for a policy was complete without a countervailing warning. Clichés ran amok: Britain should be "succeeding in Europe nol failing, winning not losing, walking tall, not skulking on the sidelines". By the end, observers could not decide whether the Labour leader was leaning towards enthusiasm or scepticism. Like John Major, Mr Blair is proving adept at telling each side what it wants to hear.

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On the one hand, we are told, "Britain should take its proper place as a leader in Europe" rather than being "reduced to the margins of influence". On the other, "you should not expect us to agree with everything that comes from Bonn or Brussels". On the one hand, "we do not seek to merge our national identities into an international superstate": on the other, "we seek a European and global framework for key decisions that affect all our lives".

Mr Blair may be right in judging that mood music is important. It is easy to forget the relief with which Mr Major was first greeted, by Helmut Kohl in particular, when he assured his EU partners that Britain wanted to be "at the heart of Europe". But the reality of Britain's position soon caught up with Mr Major, as it will with Mr Blair.

It was on the single currency that the Labour leader was most ambiguous yesterday. In principle, he said, it could have benefits. He would judge the decision on economic grounds. But his definition of what constituted "economic" seemed to include much that is political and constitutional. He warned that, if the economies linked by a single currency were not "genuinely and sustainably convergent", there would be a risk to weaker economies and especially to jobs, "The result could be a

reaction amongst the people that could be severe, nationalist in tone and dangerous."

This is precisely the reaction that makes us so wary of a single currency, whether or not Britain is a member. Mr Blair must know that the chances of Europe's economies becoming "genuinely and sustainably convergent" in the short, medium or even long term are remote. The dangers of which he speaks are, therefore, very real. And they are not merely economic. Once governments lose the tools to remedy such economic suffering, voters start to become restless, When they realise that the Opposition too is similarly impotent, they begin to wonder what use is their vote. Democracy is thus made vulnerable. Sovereignty is not a dry, constitutional matter: the loss of it leads to riots in the streets.

Conservative Party spokesmen may claim an important difference between Mr Blair and Mr Major is that, that while both are aware of these dangers, Mr Major is the only one prepared to act on them. Mr Blair vesterday restricted himself to pointing them out; he then went on to promise that he would not try to obstruct EMU - indeed he would "work closely with Germany and others to help make sure EMU is given the best chance of working". Mr Major is also, however, not attempting to stop the project. Both can see it ending in tears; both are prepared to watch the tears being shed.

If the rise of nationalism on the Continent were a problem merely for those nations concerned, this might be a legitimate policy, But Britain too has an interest in the continuance of democracy and peace in Europe. The EU was set up precisely to achieve peace and prosperity. Its current direction imperils this. If Britain can rightly be accused of being on the sidelines, it is not because this country is not joining EMU, but because it is not opposing it strongly enough.

### **RUSSIA'S MR CLEAN**

#### An unlikely champion of modernisation

Yesterday, a beaming Boris Yeltsin appointed Aleksandr Lebed National Security Adviser and head of his powerful Security Council. The Russian President's immediale aim is to win over as many as possible of the 11 million voters who supported the gruff former general in the first round of the presidential elections. But by Mr Yeltsin's account, this is no mere tactical alliance against Gennadi Zyuganov, but "a union between two politicians, two manifestos". To

1 e point that this is a matriage people to build democracy". His current role model is de Gaulle, but not long ago mainly because he admires the transformation of the Chilean economy - it was General Pinochet.

Mr Lebed may not, however, be as alarming as this might seem. First, he is no friend of the all-powerful State, which he describes as "a wolf gnawing at the economy". Instead, he calls for its role to be cut back to core responsibilities, defence, law and order ("to protect the fruits of the labour of law-abiding citizens from the whims of officials and from gangsters' extortion") and essential social and educational services. On investment laws, Russia's chaotic tax system and cutting the bureaucracy's size and powers, he is a moderniser. He blames the failures of the market economy in Russia on "the bandit State". If Mr Yeltsin wins in the second round, Mr Lebed will be judged above all by his success in his primary task, the offensive against corruption and crime on which he insists that "Russia's survival as a state" depends. His legislative plans include rules to make state budgets more transparent, stiff penalties for bribe-taking, compulsory disclosure by state officials of their own and their families' income: greater protection for judges and law-enforcement agencies; and an independent body to fight organised crime which would co-operate with Interpol and foreign intelligence services. This would amount to a declaration of war on the entire Russian nomenklatura. It would encounter powerful resistance. That is precisely why Mr Yeltsin has ducked these reforms so far. As Mr Lebed himself has remarked, "it's not the generals who are running for election you need to worry about, it's the generals who aren't". If his popularity does swing enough votes to win Mr Yeltsin a second term, that will only be the start of Russia's next battle against the rot within. It will be the toughest yet.

#### **BSE** and animal feed in France

From the Editor of Country Life Sir, In attacking Britain for allowing the export of infected animal leed after 1988 (report, June 14). French polin-cians have inadvertently highlighted the hitherto linte-remarked scandal of France's own policy on BSE.

If the disease is transmined through feed, and large quantities of contaminated feed were imported into France, it is inconceivable that France can only have suffered the 15 or so cases of BSE that have been officially notified. Further, the policy of slaugh-tering whole herds whenever a single cuse is reported clearly does not pre-vent infected meat from entering the food chain, since the long incubation period means that cattle from these herds may be sold and slaughtered before symptoms appear. Whenever Country Life has spoken

to the French Ministry of Agriculture they have been emphatic - indeed heated - in their assertion that there is no BSE in France. Consequently, they do not take any precautions against it. The hrains, spinal column and other specified offals are not removed from slaughtered animals, as they are here.

If the French really do believe that BSE is a threat to humans, they have shown appalling insouciance about the danger posed by their own beef. It is hardly surprising that German con-sumers' confidence in beef has fallen. As a prominent German manufacturer of organic products told me, Germany has open borders with the other European nations and the German consumer is not convinced of the honesty of French farmers or the diligence of the French authorities. It seems extraordinary that the

European Union is not protecting its citizens by insisting on the removal of specified offals from cattle slaughtered in France. Until it does, surely the British Government should ban the import of pate and other French products containing beef, on the grounds that France's safety measures do not match those in this country,

Yours faithfully, CLIVE ASLET, Editor, Country Life, King's Reach Tower, Stamford Street, SEI.

June 14.

From Baroness Williams of Crosby Sir, You reported on Friday that there

was outrage in France at the alleged failure of the European Commission to prevent the export of suspect ani-

### **LETTERS TO THE EDITOR** 1 Pennington Street, London El 9XN Telephone 0171-782 5000

#### Structural weakness in Birt's BBC

#### From Lady Anglesev

Sir. William Rees-Mogg writes of "Birt's gamble on a commercial BBC" (June 10). He suspects it may bring to an end the BBC as we have known it. As a past member of the independent Broadcasting Authority and the Board of the Brirlsh Council, and as a past Chairman of the Broadcasting Complaints Commission, f strongly share his concern, particularly about the threat to high standards in region-al broadcasting, and in the Wurld Ser-vice and on radio.

The licence fee has been supported by all parties and the BBC has rightly been independent of government, t admire much that John Birt has achieved, but I fear the possible longterm "political" as well as commercial consequences of this gamble.

Yours sincerely. SHIRLEY ANGLESEY. Plas Newydd,

Llanfairpwll. Isle of Anglesey. June 10.

From Mrs Mary Whitehouse

Sir. William Rees-Mogg does a considerable public service by exposing the consequences of John Birt's "gamble on a commercial BBC".

One is driven to ask - by what right does Birt decide, apparently more or less off his own bat, to make an end to the BBC as we know it by effectively privatising it? And all without reference to the viewer and listener.

There is no doubt that the retirement of Marmaduke Hussey was a great loss to the BBC and to us all. One can only regret that the new Chairman, Sir Christopher Bland, after so short a time in office, has apparently decided to give John Birt his head, with profound implications not only for the future of the BBC but for the quality of life in Britain and indeed much further affeld.

May I suggest that this matter be put to a national referendum? While it may be thought that one has been, upon occasion, in the forefront of crintcism of the BBC. John Birt's proposals fill one with dismay - "too clever by half" is the description which springs to mind. Let the public have the,

### The Paestum Diver

From Mr Michael Movnihan Sir. Might there not be a perfectly simple explanation for the Paestum Diver, the only painting from the Golden Age of Greek art to have come to light (Arts, June 11)?

chance to make its own voice heard after all it does provide the cash. Yours faithfully,

MARY WHITEHOUSE (Founder and President Emeritus), National Viewers' and Listeners' Association, Blachernae, Ardleigh, Colchester, Essex, June II.

#### From the Bishop of Southwark

Sir, in the light of the publication of John Birt's proposed structure changes to the BBC. I, as Chairman of the Central Religious Advisory Commit-tee (CRAC), am concerned with the continuing presence of religious broadcasting both within the domestic nutput and, more significantly, the World Service.

The two departments fulfil different roles. Domestic religion provides coverage of religious issues for its British audience in such programmes as Heart of the Matter, Everyman and Sunday, a service in the broadcasting of Christian worship programmes and a lively contribution to current ethical debate in The Moral Maze.

The World Service, on the other hand, has cultivated different skills for a different role, providing coverage of international religious issues, reflections from all the world's religions, taking seriously the different faith commitments of its audience and providing major educational series like The Way of the Buddha, What do Hindus Believe? and The Essential Quron, series which have educated a wide audience and helped to break down barriers of community understanding. CRAC has constantly recognised the significance each makes to the relevant output.

I write now personally to express my concern that, in the light of the current proposals, the unique contribution of religious programmes to a world audience may be jeopardised.

Yours sincerely, TROY SOUTHWARK, Bishop's House, 38 Tooting Bec Gardens, Streatham, SW16. June 14.

soul's journey from this life to the next," pontificated the guide. From the tight smug smile of the diver, I would say it was a light-ning sketch of the late lamented, showing off in the Gymnasium swimming-pool.

Yours faithfully, MICHAEL MOYNIHAN. Nuthatch, Fletcher Close, North Mundham, Chichester

### Asylum appeals in cases of torture

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From Professor Sir Richard Doll, CH, FRS, and others

Sir. We are writing to draw attention to the treatment of torture victims who have fled their own countries to seek sanctuary in the United Kingdom. Making decisions on asylum cases is unquestionably difficuli. Documentary evidence is hard to come by in 10talitarian regimes, and errors in decisions are bound to have desperate and sometimes fatal consequences. There is a need for a measure of the benefit of the doubt on evidence, a sympathetic hearing and good information on conditions in their country of origin. On June 19 the Nigerian pro-democracy activist Abiodun Igbinidu will have been held in custody in this country for a year. His claim to be a torture victim was rejected by the Home Secretary in August last year. In an unsuccessful appeal the special adjudicator wrote: "I do not accept his account of having been arrested on various occasions and having been tortured. There is no independent medical evidence to support that claim.'

In his case the procedures and criteria for handling and determining refugee status under the 1951 United Nations Convention and its 1967 Protocol were not followed, and no experi medical advice was obtained.

By a fortunate meeting of disparate medical and journalistic interests in Oxford it was subsequently possible to secure documentary, surgical and psychlatric evidence of torture and its chological and traumatic sequelae. Mr lgbinidu's deportation has been deferred and the Home Office is reconsidering his case, but in the meantime he remains at Campsfield House Detention Centre, near Oxford, That his is an exceptional case adds to the concern for the others who lacked such investigative opportunity.

It is clear that the number of economic asylum seekers is leginn and strong regulation is required. However there is a long-standing and proud Bridsh record of help for those fleeing from persecution and torrure. None of us would want to see this lost. We believe the case of Mr Igbinidu illustrates that exemplary consider-ation should be given to asylum seekers who claim to have experienced torture, and most importantly a proper medical examination by specialists.

Yours sincerely. RICHARD DOLL. Professor Emeritus of Medicinei. ANDREW McMfCHAEL (Professor of Immunology)

PETER MORRIS

(Nuffield Professor of Surgery),

(Regius Professor of Medicine),

**British** architecture

Sir, We are going through a really cre-arive and vibrant phase of British ar-

chitecture, However, I am concerned

that the lottery has encouraged a cen-

tralisation of taste control, as Marcus

Binney ("Have a prize, old boy", Arts,

The last time architectural taste was

in such a few hands was in the boom-

ing 1950s and 1960s, when so much of

that which was built reflected the view

that leading architects knew what was

good for everyone else. There is cer-

tainly an element of anti-populism

and a real disrespect for pluralism in the leading architectural institutions

buy the lottery tickets and pay for the

new buildings having much more say

My hunch is that their taste would

be very different from the narrow groups appointed to choose on their behalf.

in what is built with their money.

I would be in favour of those who

DAVID WEATHERALL

University of Oxford,

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From Mr Terry Farrell

June 10) has recognised.

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built to last, he told Russia's voters that he saw Mr Lebed as his probable successor.

Mr Lebed won 15 per cent of the firstround vote by convincing Russians that he was the man of iron resolve needed to restore porvadok - order - by rooting out corruption and organised crime. Mr Yeltsin has smoothly placed this poisoned chalice in his hands. He is expected to be given effective control of the "power ministries" -Defence, the Interior and the Secret Services. It is an astonishing leap up the ladder for a 46-year-old political novice who has twice failed to forge an effective "third force" party of his own and who resigned his commission less than a year ago.

That resignation followed his defeat in a bitter public row with General Pavel Grachev, the unpopular Defence Minister, over the decision to downgrade and ultimately to withdraw the 14th Russian Army which he commanded in Moldavia. Most Russians, however, credited him with preventing civil war there. General Grachev's resignation yesterday is further confirmation that Mr Yeltsin has changed the political guard.

Mr Lebed hardly comes across as a liberal. Blunt to a fault, he speaks the language of the mailed fist. Although he insists that a free press is essential to the democratic process and supports jury trials, he has said that Russia is still so chaotic that "we are going to have to use authoritarian methods to force

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### **FIRE MOUNTAINS**

#### Bold Italians face dark volcanic forces

Even sophisticated 20th-century man draws back at times from tempting the gods. To drill boreholes into the side of Vesuvius and detonate up to 1,700lb of explosives deep inside the volcano must strike anyone as a foolish provocation. Paolo Gasparini, one of the vulcanologists attempting to map the mountain's churning centre, maintains that their experiments will administer no more than a "light knock" to the lowering volcano. But what if such hubris provoked a cataclysm? The vengeful deities that have periodically rained terror and lava down the mountain's fertile slopes may not take kindly to mortal interference.

There are 1,500 active volcanoes around the world. The spirits that fire their magma up from the underworld seem, at the end of the 20th century, to be especially angry. Spectacular clouds now rise from Mount Ruapehu in New Zealand. On the other side of the Pacific, the smoking volcano on Montserrat threatens to blow at any time,

keeping the tiny colony's inhabitants in refugee camps for months. The world is only now recovering from the explosive eruption in 1991 of Mount Pinatubo, whose 20 million tonnes of ash darkened the skies, reflecting sunlight and cooling the world's climate by 0.5°C over three years.

From Mount St Helens in America to

Mount Vulcan in New Guinea and Mount Unzen in Japan, volcanoes long dormant are erupting into furious life. New islands are rising from the foaming seas around Iceland as lava spews from the deep. Mammouth Mountain, in eastern California, is emitting dangerous levels of carbon dioxide. Old craters in the Alban Hills near Frascati are waking from a 20,000-year sleep, and the spongy ground has risen a foot in 15 years. Vulcanologists have rarely been so exciled

or so active. The first reported initiate of their mystery was Empedocles, who, wanting to be regarded as a Greek god, tried to disappear in Mount Etna; the lava spewed out his sandal to show him both mortal and a conman. Other ancients took a more stepby-step approach. Pliny the Elder took a step too far and was killed in his quest to discover what was happening on Vesuvius; Pliny the Younger, keeping a safer distance, left us an invaluable eyewitness account of the most famous eruption in history.

The fascination with these occasional roars from the globe's fiery core has drawn scientists to the lip of disaster ever since. Maurice and Katia Krafft, the celebrated French vulcanologists, paid for their obsession with their lives in 1991. Volcanoes are unpredictable beasts. The Italians should think again.

nal feed from Britain in 1989

The Commission raised the issue of the safety of animal feed in 1988, but was rebuffed by member states, including both Britain and France. It was not until 1994 that regulations were introduced at the European level

Many of us are angered by the efforts of member states, including our own, to scapegoat the Commission for their own mistakes and shortcomings.

Yours sincerely. SHIRLEY WILLIAMS. House of Lords. June 16.

From Mr Colin W. Maclean, FRCVS

Sir, Your headline today, "Scienosts find direct evidence for BSE link". simplifies and distorts.

In fact the transmission of BSE to monkeys was achieved only by injecting material into their brains not, by the way, the first ome this has been done}.

There is no evidence that BSE can be transmitted orally into monkeys nor any proof of a link between BSE and CID. There has been no rise in the normal incidence of CJD cases. even though evidence has been found of a different kind of CJD. Indeed, the number of cases of CJD actually came down last year.

But even if there were a link between BSE and CJD we have the strictest safeguards in the world in place. This is why the experts are able to assert that Brinsh beef is safe to eat. I am in favour of everybody being made aware of the facts on BSE because this is a matter of such under-standable public concern. But the debate should be conducted on the basis of science, not sensationalism.

Yours faithfully, COLIN W. MACLEAN (Director General), Meat and Livestock Commission, PO Box 44. Winterhill House, Snowdon Drive, Milton Keynes, Buckinghamshire. June 14

#### From Mr Anthony Gordon

Sir. Your headline today. "Britain may be frozen out of hostile EU", at least raises the prospect of our leaving by mutual consent.

When we joined the EEC, was there anyone who believed that Brussels could decree that we should not send our beef to South Africa or other third countries even if they wanted it?

Such interference is monstrous. I warned the Commission at a meeting of the Beef Advisory Committee a month ago that their actions could turn the majority of UK citizens into Euro-sceptics. If this happens they will only have themselves to blame.

Yours faithfully, ANTHONY GORDON, UK Member of EU Beef Advisory Comminee, 217 Central Markets, ECI. June 10.

tum, southern Italy, about which I later wrote a travel article, we were shown, among the majestic ruins, what remained of the Gymnasium where Greek youths had "kept war-rior-fit, most of it a swimming pool with a zig-zag labyrinth of tunnels at one end to provide a submerged ob-

stacle course' About the closely guarded Tomb of the Diver in the Museum, dated 475 BC, which had been discovered by farm-workers digging near the rail-way station in 1968, I wrote: Round the sides are depicted scenes from a gay (in its modern connotation) funeral banquet while under the lid is a naked youth diving into a pool. "An allegory of the

#### Lottery grants

From Mr R. F. Bond

Sir, The charity I represent has existed for over 100 years in order to offer what the National Lottery calls "disadvantaged young people a realistic chance to become economically selfsufficient through providing employment apportunities, training and skills development". Our charity, a school, requires no government grants and fees are paid on-behalf of e youngsters who come to it.

We have a one-off requirement for capital to expand our facilities. Seventy per cent is available from reserves and two years of fund-raising. We asked the lottery for the balance so that we could make a start in July to meet a known surge in demand next September. Once the development is complete we would again be financially self-sufficient. Our application was

Sir, The Legal Services Ombudsman is reported (June 13) as saying that if there is no improvement in the level of dissatisfaction with lawyers the Government may eventually set up an independent system to handle complaints against solicitors.

It is now ten years since the Solicitors Complaints Bureau was established. The time for internal change and tinkering with a system which is widely acknowledged to be defective has passed. An independent system should be set up now.

Yours faithfully. TONY BILES (Vice-Chairman), Casia - Complaints against solicitors: action for independent adjudication. PO Box 305. Guildford, Surrey GU2 5WE. June 17.

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Letters for publication may be faxed to 0171-782 5046.

West Sussex. June 13.

#### From Miss J. M. Venn

Sir. The reproduction of the Paestum Diver this morning and your account gave me most welcome information. have some botanical knowledge and I straightaway thought of the "trees" depicted in the painting as red scaweeds, abundant and feathery in warm shallow waters.

Yours etc J. M. VENN. Ouin Cottage, Shillingstone, Blandford, Dorset. June II.

acknowledged but we were never visited or even interviewed.

There will always be controversy over the distribution of lonery money and I am sure many have as good a story as ours, but the members of the lotteries board and their selection panels should, I feel, keep in touch more with public sentiment. Mr Andrew Phillips, a member of the board (letter, June 13), seems to me to be less in touch than he thinks.

We now have the problem of defining other options open to us in the absence of lottery support. As to the future of lottery grants, 1

suggest a regular rotation of asses-sors, adjudicators and indeed board members.

**Baling** out

landing.

years ago.

June 9.

From Mr Charles F. Whitelock

Sir, Air Vice-Marshal Price and Mr

Fenwick (letters, June 4, 8) were fortu-

nate in being allowed to carry with

them rewards for their safe return in

the event of capture. Flying in the Middle East - Iraq,

the Gulf and Oman - in the 1930s we carried only a card with a message in

Arabic, Kurdish and Turkish promis-

ing untold (to us) riches for our return.

preferably intact, to the authorities

should we be found after a forced

the message, doubtless because it

could have been bad for our morale to

learn the going rate per survivor. Un-

kind rumour had it that it was of the

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only by my fear of learning how little 1

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order of five shillings

Yours faithfully, C. F. WHITELOCK

18 Walcole Court.

(San Ldr, RAF (retd)).

Puddletown, Dorset.

We were not given a translation of

Yours faithfully, R. F. BOND. Pine Copse. Calthorpe Road, Ryde, Isle of Wight. June 13.

#### Millennium wheel

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Yours

June 13.

#### From Mr L. P. Bayly

TERRY FARRELL,

Terry Farrell & Pariners, 17 Hanon Street, NW8.

Sir. A Ferris wheel in London to mark the millennium (leners, April 24: May 27: June 4, 14) is entirely appropriate. It is the perfect symbol for a nation which has no idea where it's going.

Yours faithfully. L. P. BAYLY, 79a Gloucester Street, Winchcombe, Gloucestershire. June 15.

#### Not suited

#### From Miss Jacqui Harrison

Sir, Mr Edward Armitage (letter, June 18) is obviously blissfully ignorant of popular culture, but if he really wants to be enlightened on the subject of the shellsuit, I can inform him thus: it is shaped like a tracksuit, is usually of iridescent material in lurid colours and, if held to the ear, projects the sounds of a Romford boot fair.

Yours faithfully, JACQUI HARRISON, Beech Cottage, II Watling Street, Thaxted, Essex. June 18.

Legal complaints From Mr Tony Biles



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ST JAMES'S PALACE

June 18: The Duke of Clouces

Patron. Nuffield Farming Scholar-

ships Trust, this evening attended

a Reception at 28 Bedford Square,

June 18: The Duke of Kent,

Colonel-in-Chief, today visited the 2nd Battalion, the Royal Regiment of Fusiliers, Barker Barracks,

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Mr Royce Frith, QC, was the guest

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June 18: The Queen, with The Duke of Edinburgh, honoured Ascot Races with her presence today. ST JAMES'S PALACE The Prince of Wales, Duke of Cornwall, this afternoon received the Secretary of the Duchy of Cornwall (Mr John James). **KENSINGTON PALACE** June 18: The Princess of Wales, Patron. Turning Point, received Mr Rex Hewitt (Chief Executive) and Mr Ronald Alexander (Communications Director).

Today's royal

### engagements

The Princess Royal, as President of the Patrons, Crime Concern, will attend a Prudential Youth Action awards ceremony at the Prudential Corporation, 142 Holborn Bars, EC1, at 10.30: as Commandant-in-Chief, Women's Transport Service (FANY). will attend the open day luncheon at Mercury House, Duke of York's Headquarters, at 12.30; and will attend a dinner at the Royal Hospital Chelsea at 7.15 to mark 200 years of military veterinary service. The Duke of Gloucester will attend

a concert at Christ Church Spitalfields at 7.30 in aid of the restoration of the church.

The Duke of Kent, as Patron of the British Menswear Guild, will at-tend a gala dinner and present warrants of appointment at Man sion House at 7.20.

The Duchess of Kent will unveil a British Airways Change for Good display at the Compass Centre, Heathrow Airport, at 9.45.

#### Lord Luke

The thanksgiving service for the life and work of Lord Luke, of Pavenham will be held at 3.00pm on Monday, June 24, at St Law-rence Jewry-next-Guildhall in the City of London.

#### Peter Glenville

A Requiern Mass for Peter Glenville, who died recently in New York, will be said in The Little Oratory, Brompton Oratory, London SW3 at midday on June 26.

## Anniversaries

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BIRTHS: James VI of Scotland, reigned 1567-1625, afterwards as James f of England and Ireland, reigned 1603-25, Edinburgh, 1566; Thomas Fuller, preacher and scholar, Aldwincle, Northamptonhire. 1608.

Blaise Pascal, mathematician and philosopher. Clermont-Ferrand, France, 1623: John Gibson, sculptor, Gyffm, 1790; Charles London, 1707; Nicolas Lemery, chemist, Paris, 1715; John Brown, theologian, Haddington, Lothian, 1787: Sir Joseph Banks, naturalist, fsleworth, Surrey, 1820. Maximilian, Archduke of Aus-

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tria, Emperor of Mexico 1864-67, executed, Mexico, 1867; John Emerich Acton, 1st Baron Acton of violin. Aldenham. historian. Tegernsee. Bavaria, 1902: Sir James Barrie, **Company of** Chartered Sir Robert Peel's Police Act was Surveyors passed, 1829. The following have been elected officers of the Company of Char-tered Surveyors for the ensuing The first official baseball game was played at the Elysian Fields, Hoboken, New Jersey, between the New York Nine and The Knickeryear: bockers, 1846. Master, Mr David H. Pepper, The first Zeppelin dirigible airship, the Deutschland, was launched, 1910. Senior Warden, Mr Robin S. Broadhurst: Junior Warden, Mr Stuart Hibberdine.

### Requiem Mass

#### Lady Edith Forwell Father Charles Dilke was the principal oclebrant at a requiem

Mass for Lady Edith Sybil Poxwell held on Monday in Brompton Oratory. Mrs Maria Rawlinson led the bidding prayers and Miss Susan

Clarke read the Prayer of St Francis of Assisi. Prince Valerio Massimo, grandson, read the lesson. Mr Larry Adler delivered the eulogy. Among others present were:

# Princess Massimo (daughter).

Princess Massimo (daughter). Don Cesare Massimo and Don Tancredi Massimo (grandsons). The Marquess of Bath, the Earl of Inchcape, Lady Colin Camp-bell, Viscoum Rothermere, Vis-countess Chelsea, Jacqueline Lady Killearn, Lady Serena Bridgeman. Lady Elizabeth Shakerley, the Non Mrs Ernily Anderson. Sir Toby Clarke, Sir Annhony and Lady Meyer, Anne Lady Jaffuay, Lady Bestein, Princess Maresti. Prin-cess Ara Murshidabad, Princess Alla Aly Khan, Mr Desmond de Silva, OC, and Princess Katarina of Yugoslavia, Princess Knopotkin, Prince Walld Rassa. Mr. Peter Avery, Mr. John

Mr Peter Avery, Mr John Rendall, Mr J Plicher, Mr Paul Pearson, Mr and Mrs Christopher Lee, Mrs Derek Nimmo, Mr Peter Davies, Mr Christopher Berestord, Miss Annabel de Gelsey, Mr E Rea, Mr Robin Kindersley, Mr Ned Rvan, Or Christine Costello, Mr Dal Lewellyn, Mr James Robarts, Mrs Nancy Britton-Pratley, Miss Karl Allen, Mr Charles Delavigne. Mr Jakk Wooll. Mrs Mimi Slavinski, Mr John Kennedy, Mr George Cooper, Mr Jonathan Bolton-Olgnam, Mr C W Neufeld, Mrs Mark Bell. Mr Oavid Shilling, Mrs P of honour and speaker at a luncheon of the Canada-United Kingdom Chamber of Commerce held yesterday at Trinity House. Mr Timothy Battle, president of the chamber, presided. The Agent General for Quebec was among the chamber.

Bolton- Olgnam, Mr C W Neuleld, Mrs Mark Bell. Mr Oavid Shilling, Mrs P Chamoun, Mrs Oiana Bonato Walker, Mr Michael Alexander, Miss Emily Bearn, Miss Ann Cook, Mr Peter Jacobs, Mr Stuart Marshall, Mr Martin Taylor-Brown, Mr M Latif, Mr J Latif, Miss Sally Farmiloe, Mrs Jack Cirardet, Mr Alex Galbraith, Mr David White Mr Trevor Davies, Mr Anthony Skyrme, Mr John Marron, Dr V Bampoe, Mr I S Barrie, Miss Oeborah Longford-Ross, Miss Oerothy Ottey, Ms Nike Williams, Mr Eddie Capone, Mr N Barry Wieland, Mr Frederick Trimmer (Sacristan, Brompton Oratory, the Rev A T J Saller, Mr Torreniz Dels Prats. Mr David Lewis (chairman, Special Events Committee, Unice) and Mrs Lewis, Mr Ken Gibson (Bennison Antiques). Sister Claire Penny (Chelsea and Westminster Hospil-all, Mr John Chandler (Dorchester hotei) and many other friends. National Sporting Club Mr Bob Willis, Chairman of the National Sporting Club, presided at a luncheon held yesterday at the Café Royal in honour of the Indian

### Cranbrook School Scholarship Awards 1996

We are pleased to announce the following Scholarship Awards for 1996 entry: Major Academic Awards Rory Allen. Wellesley House

School - Science, Stephen Ashley, Dulwich Preparatory School, Cranbrook - Mathematics & Science: Henricita Denney, Bedge-bury - General; James Shooter, Holmewood House School - General; Benjamin Smith, Willington School - General; Holly Wake-

field, Vineball - General Minor Academic Awards Oliver Cripps, Marlborough House - General: Ross Dudley.

Angley School - General. Music Awards

Carly Bryant, Angley School - piano; Nadia Gilden, Dulwich Preparatory School, Cranbrook flute: Andrew Radford, Dulwich Preparatory School, Cranbrook



Catholic Archbishop of Cardiff, when she opened the 565th convent for her order, the Missionaries of Charity. at Swansea. Mother Teresa, who has a broken foot, was taken in a wheelchair into the converted terrace house where four of her nuns will work. She said: "We are here to help people who cannot help themselves"

# Church appointments

be Priest-in-charge, the Otter Vale Team Ministry (Exeler). The Rev Mark Bonney. Vicar. Eaton Bray w Edlesborough. 10 be Rector, Great Berkhamsted (St Albans). The Rev Nigel Genders, Assistant

Curate, Christ Church, New Malden (Southwark), 10 be Assistant Curate, Christ Church, Cockfosters (London). The Rev Richard Gomersall, Assis-

tant Curate (NSM). Thurcroft. Rotherham. Io be Assistant Curate (NSM), Sheffield, St Manhew (Sheffield).

The Rev Horace Grainger. Team Vicar, Penrith, to be Vicar, Holme Cultram St Mary and Holme Cultram St Cuthbert (Carlisle). The Rev Christine Hardman, Assistant Curate, Markvate and Director of Mission Studies of St Albans and Oxford Ministry Course, 10 be Vicar, Stevenage, Holy Trininy St Albansi.

The Rev Janet Hardy, Team Vicar, Great Snaith, to be Vicar, Christ Church. Pitsmoor (Sheffield). The Rev Alison Harrison, Priest-

in-charge, Ebchester, to be Vicar.

# London Lighthouse

said prayers. Mr Christopher Spence, founder and director, read The Lord Mayor of Westminster and the Mayor of Kensington and Cheisea anended a service of thanksgiving and rededication from a commemorative essav he wrote in 1958 to mark the official held yesterday in Westminster Abbey to mark the tenth anniver-sary of the founding of London Lighthouse. opening of London Lighthouse and Ms Sophie Kaleero, community volunteer organiser, read An African Elegr by Mr Ben Oleri. The Right Rev Kenneth Woollcombe, a The Dean of Westminster officipatron, gave an address.

During the service Mr Alan Clark, Mr Chris Birch, Ms Elli Adler and Mr Ray Singh from the London Lighthouse and the UK High School, Birmingham, 58. National Art Collections

#### Medomsley, and Rector, Ebchester Fund

The Rev Michael Hart, Rector, St The Annual General Meeting of Mary, Newington, to be Priest-in-charge, and Team Vicar Desthe National Art Collections Fund was held at the Royal Geographiignale, SI Mary, Caterham and Si Peter and St Paul, Chaldon (Southwark). cal Society, London, on Tuesday, June 18. The proceedings included reports from Sir Nicholas Goodison. Chairman, Mr David Barrie, Director, and Mr Rupert The Rev Michael Hatchen, Vicar, St Peter's, Great Totham, to be Hambro. Treasurer. Mr John

also Rural Dean of Witham Mallet, a member of the Executive (Cheimsford). Committee, gave a talk on Ceram-ics: 1503 until the present. The Rev David Hawthorn, Priestin-charge Thornaby-on-Tees Team Ministry, to be Vicar of the newly benefice of South created

Thornaby Norki. Legal appointment The Rev Alan Howe, Priest-in-charge, St John's, Mansfield, to be The High Court Priest-in-charge. St Mary's. Wolla-The Queen has been pleased to ion Park (Southwell).

in plurality (Durham).

approve the appointment of His Honour Judge Christopher John Sumner to be a Justice of the High The Rev John Hutchinson, Priestin-charge, All Saints, Viney Hill, and Warden of the Diocesan Court. The Lord Chancellor, Lord Adventure Centre (Gloucester). 10 be Vicar, Wadsley (Shef-field). Mackay of Clashiern, will asssign Judge Summer to the Family Division.

# Birthdays today

Mr Robert Ainsworth, MP, 44: Sir O'Brien, MP. 42: Mr Raymond Michael Alexander, diplomat, 60: Aung San Suu Kyi, Nobel laure-ate, 51: Mr Jeremy Bates, tennis player, 34: Sir Robin Brook, for-Powell, MP, 68; Sir Francis Pur-chas. former High Court judge, 77. Mr Salman Rushdie, writer, 49: Mr B.A. Sellers, former chairman, mer President, Association of Chambers of Commerce of EEC, Gestetner Holdings, 61; Mr Justice Sheil, 58; Sir Alfred Shepperd, former chairman and chief exec-S: Dr Neil Chalmers, director, Natural History Museum, 54: Sir Terence Clark, diplomat, 62: utive. Wellcome Foundation, 71: Mr David Somerset, former Chief Lisuenant-General Sir Peter Cashier, Bank of England, 66: Duffell. 57; Miss Ena Evans, Father Amony Sutch, Head Mas-ter, Downside School, 46. Headmistress. King Edward VI

# Forthcoming marriages

The Hon Ralph Assheton and Miss O.S. Warrington The engagement is announced between Ralph. elder son of Lord and Lady Clitheroe, of Downham Hall, Lancashire, and Olivia, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Anthony Warrington, of Low Burton Hall, Masham, North Yorkshire. The Rev P. de Grey-Warter and Miss N.A. Taylor The engagement is announced between Philip, elder son of Mr

and Mrs John de Grey-Warter, of Mundon, Essex, and Naomi, younger daughter of Captain and Mrs Edward Taylor, of Kingole Farm, Cornwall.

#### Lieutensat

K.M.T. Houlberg, RN. and Miss R.E.F. Part The engagement is announced between Kenneth, elder son of Mr and Mrs Torben Houlberg, of Abbotsbury, Dorset, and Rachel, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Graham Parr. of Horndean, Hampshire.

# Mr T.L.C. Piper and Miss J.M.B. de Salis The engagement is announced between Luke, eldest son of the late Mr Edward Piper and of Mrs Edward Piper. of The Old Laun-

dry. Marston Bigot, near Frome, Somerset, and Julia, daughter of Count and Countess Charles de Salis, of Yarlington House, near Wincanton, Somerset. Mr C.P.N. Plunket-Checkemian and Miss P. Farrington

The engagement is announced between Charles, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Nicholas Plunket-Checkemian, of Remenham. Oxfordshire, and Polly. daughter of Mr Peter Farrington. of Hinton, Wiltshire, and Mrs Margaret Farrington, of Seer Green. Buckinghamshire. Mr C.J.M. Shabi

#### and Miss C.L. Robertson

The engagement is announced between Cyrus, son of Dr and Mrs F.A. Shabi, of Tattenhall, Cheshire, and Clare Louise, daughter of Mr and Mrs George Robertson, of Canterbury, Kent.

### Flight Lieutenant P.M. Williamson, RAF.

and Miss L.C. Willing The engagement is announced between Peter, son of Mr and Mrs John Williamson, of Camberley. Surrey, and Lucy, daughter of Mr Jeremy Willing and the late Mrs Jane Willing, of Haddington, East Lothian.

### Marriage

Mr T.M.D. Bingham and Miss S.J. van den Bergh The marriage took place on Sat-urday, June 15, at St Georges, Bickley, Kent, of Mr Tom Bingham and Miss Sophie van den Bergh.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was al-tended by Miss Deborah Hewitt and Hannah and Freddy van den Bergh. Mr Simon Lovegrove was best man.

#### **Royal College** of Physicians

The following overseas professors have become fellows of the Royal College of Physicians:

Reception Institute of Education Sir Clive Whitmore, Chairman of the Council of the Institute of Education, London University, and Professor Peter Mortimore, Director, were the hosts yesterday at a reception held at the institute Dinners United & Cecil Clab & Cecil Club last night at the House of Commons. Earl Ferrers was the principal guest and speaker, Mr Julian Markham also

### and Control

spoke. Institute of Measurement Professor J.S. Anderson, President of the Institute of Measurement and Control, was the host at a dinner held last night at Glaziers' Hall after Sir Geoffrey Allen had delivered the 1996 Thomson lec-

for guests from the field of edu-Sir Sydney Chapman, MP, was the chairman at a dinner of the United

i-laddon Sourgeon, oreacher 1937. Kelvedon, Essex, 1834: Douglas Haig, 1st Earl Haig, Field Mar-shal, Edinburgh, 1801.

The Duchess of Windsor (née Wallis Warfield). Baltimore, Maryland, 1896: Sir Ernst Chain, biochemist. Nobel laureate 1945, Berlin, 1906. DEATHS: William Sherlock Dean of St Paul's 1691-1707, a Patron of London Lighthouse read Psalm 139, 1-13, and the Rev Andrew Henderson, founding chair of the council of management, read I John iv, 16-21.

ared, assisted by Canon Colin Semper and the Rev Barry Fenton.

Precentor. Rabbi Julia Neuberger.

The Rev Slephen Cope. Vicar. Rudston w Boynton and Kilham, to be Bishop of Hull's Adviser in Rural Affairs for the Archdeaconry

The Rev George Davies, Chaplain,

Thurrock Lakeside Shopping Centre (Chelmsford), to be Rector. St Andrew. Mottingham (South-

The Rev Arthur Deegan, Team Vicar, Melion Mowbray Team

Ministry, to be Rector, Barwell

cum Stapleton and Potters Mar-

The Rev Adrian Fereday, Assistant

Curate, Gleadless, to be Team Vicar. Aston-cum-Aughton w

Swallownest, Todwick and Ulley

The Rey Simon Franklin, Rector.

Woodchurch and Assistant Slew-

ardship Adviser (Canterburyl. to

of the East Riding (York).

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ston (Leicester).

(Sheffield).

Baroness Masham of Illon, a member of the council of manage-ment. Mr Paul Theobald, chair of the Lighthouse Service Users' Consultative Forum. Mr Jef Sawyerr, a nurse at the residential unit and Mrs Andria Effhimiou-Mordaunt. a widow through Aids,

Names Project carried a commemorative quilt from the nave into the sacrarium and placed it in front of the altar.

Appointment

John Forester Stuart to be secretary-general of the Scottish Epis-copal Church from October in succession to John Simpson.

The Right Rev John Hind, Bishop of Gibraltar in Europe, 51: Mr Bryan Kneale, sculptor, 66; Mr R.N.D. Langdon. company chairman. 77: Dame Unity Lister. former vice-chairman. European **Royal Academy** Union of Women, 33; the Earl of Minto. 68: Rear-Admiral Sir Mor-Piers Rodgers, scoretary of the Royal Academy since 1982, to be project director of the academy's plans for Burlington Gardens. gan Morgan-Giles, former MP, 82: Brigadier E.J. Nolan. former director, WRAC, 76: Mr Mike

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Mr John Sutherland, civil engineer, 68: Miss Kathleen Turner. actress, 42; Mr Rory Underwood, rugby player, 33.

Professor Henry Burger, director of Prince Henrys Institute of Medicaj Research, Melbourne, Australia, Professor Mihail Cocnlescu, profes-sor of endocrinology at the Carol Davila Medical School in Bucharess, Professor Alan Hoffman, director of research and professor of medicine in eastroenterology at the University research and protessor in University in gastrocnierology at the University of California, San Diego, Professor Carden Johnston, professor of paediatrics at the University of Alabama School of Medicine, Birm-ingham, Alabama, and Professor of John Jordanogiu, professor of contratory medicine at the Medical

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	June 1996. Much loved wife	Shorebam. A dourty loved	June 1996 at Lorus Hospict,	husband of Kay. dear failter	peacefully on June 16th.	W.F.N. Watkins, Enquiries	C.B.E. with be beld on	TICKETS	ABSOLUTELY
	and mother of Roger and Thomsena, Funeral Friday	Private cremation. A	Leics, Loving wife of the late Philip Richardson Haywood.	of Shirley (decil) and Soe.	Mather of Nins.	tel: (01743) 344646.	Toesday July 2nd 1996 at 12	TOD CALE	
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Mary (nee Hamlen) and	1996 at home with his wife	Family flowers only please. but donations if desired to	24th June at 2.30 pm.	NW11.	- cremation. Flowers to	Guyana, author "The Mapic	The second se	full details of tickets before	Cricker, Wimbledon Debs bought and sold
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14th June 1996 at St Cross		Suser.	15th June 1996 peacefully at	mother of Charles and	happy memories the family		family would like to thank all		Last Night Proms
Hospital. Rugby, to Andrew and Flore, a sister to Louise.			home, dearly loved husband	Harriel Privale cremation.	announce the death at home		family and triands for their		Three Tenors
	BUXTON - On Sunday June	FERNAU - On June 16th	of Mariorie and much loved	A Service of Thanksgiving will be held at Berkswell	of Str Mattend on June 18th	EIDERAL	donatione to G.U.T.S	AT 7	
FRISBY - On June 12th. to	and District Hospital, Horatia	precefully at St Mary's	father of Nigel and Chice and dear grandfather of Richard.	Parish Church on Saturday	1996. Furnaral Service for	FUNERAL	sympathy and support in their recent and loss. Please	ALL	All theatre, pop and sport,
Camilia (nee Aliwood) and Peter, a daughter.	Mary Buxton, widow of	Christopher, dearly loved	Lucy, Jennifer, Edwine and	20th July at 11.50 am	farally and friends at Devict Parish Church on Friday	ARRANGEMENTS	accept this as a personal		
Peter, a dangbter. Marguerile Kalherine Jona, a	Group Capizia Mungo	uncle of John and Sarah and	Andrew, Private cremation.	MENA MANAGE	21st June 1996 at 2 mm		acknowledgement.	TICKETS	CC Hotine
sister for Joshua.	Buxton. Funeral at St Mary's	friend to many. Memorial	Service of Thankighting at St	KEYS - Margaret Alison. Peacefully on 18th June.	Memorial Service at St	BARBER - The Funeral			0171 357 9988
GRANT-WOOD - On 6th	Church, Wiveton, Norfolk,	Service at Kensal Green	Mary the Virgin Church.	aged 92. Beloved wife of the	Machiar Cathedral on Friday	Service of the late Nicolas		Wimbledon Debs	
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India.	"Monthe" died peacefully on	Society (of which he was a	Abbeimer's Disease Society.	LAW - On 14th June 1996	Tayside Central Fife and	2.30pm. Donations for St Mary's Church, may be sent	count has ar table. \$280 pcm. tac. Tel: 0171 270 1710 (dag)	Grand Priz. Int. Cricket	A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A
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and Richard, a beantiful daughter, Freya Agne.	great uncle and great friend	DUSWOND WZ HLL	Redhill. Surrey.	husband of Jan and father of	Much loved by widow Wintfred, daughter and	Norfolic,	had the in the manhade atta	Sumset etc.	* 3 Tenors, Hute Park *
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13th in Italy, to Clare and	recently of Great Maytham	on 15th June peacefully. Mach toyed father of	hospital after a long filment	family burial on Monday	Street Children's Hospital Fund, 14-41 Queen's Square.		PLATMATES London's foresport	unobtainable	* Phanton, Seigon, Oliver *
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MAXWELL - On 15th June.	Survice al Roivenden Parish Church on Wedneyday June	missed by all his family and	Husband of Anne (Andy).	Mary's Church, King Henrys	PHILLIPS - On June 15th		100 00 00 01/1-009 8491	All CC's, Free Delivery	*****
to Miranda (née MacSwiney)	26th at 11.30 am. Family	by everyone who knew him.	Widower of Pat and father of	Road, NW3, to which all are	studdently but peacefully to	FLETCHER - A Memorial	VICTORIA Mature prof person 25+ non strotter, to share plane- ant CH flat, OR & bath, £378	The ee of The Delivery	
and Ronnie, a son. Hugh (Hugo) Charles, a brother for	flowers only. Dopations if	Private funeral for family and close friends al Si	Patricia. Cremation Tunbridge Wells	welcome. Family flowers	Wetherby aged 75 years,	Service for Murray Fieldter	ant CH fat. OR & bath. £378		WIMPI FRONT
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Mark, 2 son, Oscar, a brother	Telegraph). Journalist with	Baltingian, Co. Wicklow	grandfalber. Requiers Main	loved Fother of Amanda	Foldoorn, Cambridge,	A.M. A memorial service will		LAST NIGHT OF PROME	0171 929 5622
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George.	Sunday Empire News, then	June, 1996 at home after a	Augustine's Church. Woodstock Road, Oxford on	Grandfether (J.D'e) of	Much loved husband, father and grandfather.	Darting Point on 20th June.	pair. Tel: 0181 #70 1463.	HYDE PARK CONCERT	
OGILVY - On 3rd June, to	Film Publicist, died aged 82	of Busan and father of	Wednesday 26th June ni	Alexandre Zsebik. Privately	THYER-TURNER - Cecil	1996 at 4 pm to michrate the life of John Davan Lewis, in		TINA TURNER, MARIAH CAREY	ALL ·
Alexandra (née Wheeler) and Niail, a son, James Angus, a	Survived by Neich (née	Carolyn, Clare, Arganda and	10am, followed by Interment	cremoted. John Davan	(Cecil Turner) aged 83 on	Beu of flowers a donation to		RIVERDANCE	WIMBLEDON
brother for David.	Sturdy), daughters and	William, father-in-law and	at Worvercole Cemelery.	Lewis, A.M., youngest som of Alien Charles (deceased).	16th June at All Saints	The Heart/Lung Research	MUSICAL	MARTIN GUERRE	TICKETS
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### **OBITUARIES**

# **MAJOR-GENERAL SIR CYRIL COLQUHOUN**

Major-General Sir Cyril Colgannua, KCVO, CB, OBE, Secretary of the Central Chancery of the Orders of Knighthood, 1960-68, died on June Saged 92. He was born in Natal, at Pietermaritzburg, on August 16. 1903.

USUALLY known as Ted, Cyril Colquhoun was a Gunner officer who in the 1950s rose to command both Northumbrian District and the British garrison in Malta. His was certainly not a military career lacking in distinction; but he is probably even better remembered by those going to Buckingham Palace to attend royal investitures in the 1960s. Between 1960 and 1968 he served as Secretary of the Central Chancery of the Orders of Knighthood.

It was almost as if he had been cast by nature for the part. His tall, elegant, if ascetic, figure would for nearly a decade invariably be found standing behind the Queen at investitures. unfussily supervising the presentation of insignia. And, in more recent years, he was also to be seen on state occasions and at royal garden parties as one of Her Majesty's Genileman Ushers.

An extraordinarily modest man, he wrole in reply to an obiluary question-naire sent to him by the secretary of the Royal Artillery Institution: "I find it difficult to put down 'achievements in peace and war'. I merely did the job of the rank t held." Always poine and cheerful, he was surprisingly tough and determined, when necessary, for a man of such great personal charm.

The son of Captain Harry Colquhoun, who was serving in South Africa when his son was born. Cyril Harry Colquhoun was educated at Oswestry High School and the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich, before being commissioned into the Royal Artillery in 1923. His early service was with the 15th Field Brigade in India until 1932, when he came home to the 1st Light Brigade. By 1935 he was Adjutant to 52nd Field Brigade in the Territorial Army and he went to France after war broke out in 1939 as Brigade Major, Royal Artillery, in the 42nd Division.

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Surviving Dunkirk, he was sent to the Staff College in the aurumn of 1940 and returned to the 42nd Division for a short time before setting off across the Atlantic in August 1941 with the disguised Brirish Military Mission to North America before the United States had actually entered the war. After Pearl Harbor, he was given two lemporary commands (174th and 189th Field Regiments) until lie was appoint-ed to command the 6th Field Regiment.

This he took to Normandy in 1944 as part of 21st Army Group's artillery, and fought with it throughout the North-West Europe campaign until almost the end of the war. He then became a GSO I in the headquarters of 21st Army Group.

The war over, he commanded the 76th Field Regiment in the 1st Airborne Division in BAOR, and then the 1st Field Regiment in the Middle East. He was promoted brigadier in 1947 to

command the artillery of 6th Airborne Division in Palestine and qualified as a parachinist at the age of 44. Returning home in 1948 after the British withdrawal from Palestine, he commanded the artillery of tst Division. The period of his service career in

which he made the greatest mark was almost certainly, though, his two-year stint as an outstanding Commandant of the School of Artillery at Larkhill from [95] to 1953.

He was promoted major-general and appointed to command the Northumbrian District and the 50th (Tyne & Tees] Division in the autumn of 1953; and his last appointment in the Army was General Officer Commanding Briush Troops, Malta, in 1956. He arrived in Malta just as the assault convoys were leaving for the abortive Suez operation, and he was faced with the military and political problems caused for the island by that affair.

Retiring in 1960, he took up his duties in St James's Palace almost straight away. He had an admirably methodical approach to the complex duties of the Secretary uf the Central Chancery, and the grasp of detail that the office entaited. Courseous, kind and with a great sense of humour, he was always willing to help or to advise. Those who came to Buckingham Palace for their investiture, or who anended a church service of one of the Orders of Chivalry during his nime as Secretary, will recall how his detailed and careful planning ensured the excellence of the occasion.

He was created KCVO on his retirement in 1968, having been appointed CVO in 1965. He had been made a Companion of the Order of the Bath in recognition of his services to the Army in 1955. He always kept in the closest touch

with the Royal Artillery, chairing for several years its charitable fund and being its representative on the Army Benevolent Fund, He was a Colonel Commandant of the Royal Artillery, 1962-69, and of the Royal Malta Artillery 1962-70.

He married Stella Irene, daughter of W. C. Rose of Kotagiri. India. and Cheam, Surrey, in 1930. She died last January and he is survived by their

# **GESUALDO BUFALINO**

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Gesualdo Bufalino, Italian novelist, died after being injured in a car accident nn June 14 aged 75. He was born in Comiso, Sicily. in 1920.

WHENEVER he thought or wrote of his native Sicily. Gesualdo Bufalino was fond of alluding to Goethe's verdict on that ancient and mysterious land: "Hier ist der Schlüssel zu allem" (Here is the key to everything). He loved to reflect upon the sweep of its history and the recordes aboriginal, Greek, Carthaginian, Roman, Byzantine, Arab, Norman, Angevin and Bourbon - who had flowed over it and given it its character.

Even when he was far from his island home (which he hated being for any length of time), its spring flowers, its pinless summer skies, its roasting lava fields, its girdling seas - at times serene, at others lashed by equinoctial gales - were all an indissolu-ble part of his imagination. As he once said: "My complicity with the great spirits of all periods ... with people of different races and tongues did not prove strong enough to mortify inside me that embryonic, indelible sense of being

Sicilian." Yet in spite of his power to evoke the spirit of the land and its people in almost everything he wrote. Bufalino remained unpublished for many years. It was another Sicilian, Leonardo Sciascia, who discovered his merits and in 1981 secured publication of his novel Diceria dell'untore (tr. The Plague Sower) which Bufalino had written thirty years previously.

Like Sciascia, Gesualdo Bufalino was a southern Sicilian. He was born at Comiso in the province of Ragusa, the son of a blacksmith. His family was on the whole impecunious, but as he was later to say of his childhood life: "I will never cease to miss it, a much poorer but a kinder

Sicily." Leech-sellers, match-makers and fortune-tellers hawked their wares on the dusty streets, until morning gave way to the blistering heat of midday and the human world relapsed into the grateful ritu-

# citadel of the dead. nounced the arrival of a new talent, if that is the right word for the belated recognition of powers which had actually

al of pranzo followed by the peace of siesta, until the cool of evening should revive it again. Educated at local schools, Bufalino studied literature at Catania and Palermo universifies, coming particularly under the influence of the contemporary French authors he had read as a child. He spent his professional life as a teacher and then as a lecturer at a teacher-training college in Palermo, where he subsequently became principal. But he had been writing from an early age, a habit he kept up throughout his teaching life, producing verse and translations (particularly from the French). By the age of 30 he had finished his first novel

Diceria dell'untore, Sciascia had already made his reputation with the publication, in 1960, of his Mafia tale Il giorno della civetta (tr. The Day of the Owl), when he came across Bufalino's novel. by which time the latter was

60, Perceiving its merits, he encouraged Bufalino to rework it and complete it. When Sciascia secured its publication in Palermo in 1981 it made an immediate impression and made the shortlist of the

Premio Campiello, Set in a Sicilian hospital populated largely by con-sumptive soldiers, Diceria dell'untore powerfully pur-veyed an atmosphere in which lives were lived against a backdrop of impending disso-lution. Bufalino's rich prose. which stopped just short of being cloying, was an ideal vehicle for evoking the heat, the oppressive atmosphere and the ghastly sights and

tain involuntarily dormant for 30 years. In any event, such delays are not so appalling to the Sicilian mind, accustomed to long gestations. Giuseppe di Lampedusa meditated his single novel The Leopard for most of his life before sitting down to write it three years before he died. Even Sciascia was well over 40 when he first came to public notice. After The Plague Sower, which brought him an international reputation, Bufalino produced half a dozen more novels, as well as some short stories. Argo il cieco (tr. Blind Argus) won the John Florio Prize for its translator Patrick

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Creagh. Le Menzogne della notte (tr. Night's Lies), in which four condemned conspirators against the Bourbon throne - a poet, an aristocrat, a soldier and a "perpetual studen!" - talk to calm their fears of death in their prison cell on the night before their execution, won Bufalino the 1988 Strega Prize.

It was a novel replete with the sense of poignant regret which belongs to men who know they have said goodbye for the last time to "the raging joy of being alive, of feeling the whole of one's body aflow with pulsing blood, warm with unfailing warmth, bursting with tales to tell". Its sensuous richness is as quintessentially Sicilian as the scents of zagara lorange blossom) and ginestra broom) which waft powerfully across the countryside in springtime.

Bufalino was in the great literary tradition of his island, which has produced an extraordinarily rich crop of writers since Verga. He was less quizzical about the condition of present-day Sicily than his mentor Sciascia (who died in 1989). With Gluseppe di Lampedusa, he regarded the is-land's vanished past with unfeigned regret. And his work is a celebration of the ancient character and dignity of his native place.

Gesualdo Bufalino is survived by his wife Giovanna.

## SIR NIALL LYNCH-ROBINSON, Bt

Sir Niall Lynch-Robinson, Bt, DSC, naval nfficer and advertising exceptive, died on Jane 3 aged 78. He was born oo February 24, 1918.

NIALL LYNCH-ROBINSON began his career in the advertisement department of The Times in 1937, and went on to ≈become cnai

presence, which on occasions undoubledly tipped the balance when winning new business for his company. Lynch-Robinson was a compassionate man with a gift for leadership. One of his earliest memories was, aged three, of trying to comfort his terrified

Behind his effortless Anglo-Irish charm and sparkling .



when his ship was dive-bombed and sunk by Stukas

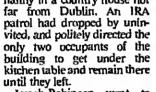
with the loss of 27 lives. With a total of 17 warships suffering a similar fate in the Eastern Mediterranean during that period, the general rule was that nobody was allowed home until they had been sunk twice, but Lynch-Robinson returned to England

agency. His abilities propelled him swiftly upwards and onto the board by 1954.

In 1969 the Leo Burnett agency of Chicago bought LPE and its worldwide subsidiarjes, and Lynch-Robinson was the obvious choice for chairman of the new London agency. With tact and skill, he took the central role in effecting the est no

cy responsible for many of the newspaper's campaigns. British advertising was then a gentlemanly affair; a preyuppie age when literary craft had not yet been subsumed beneath the crass hard-sell. But there were still many memorable slogans. Under Lynch-Robinson, Double Diamond worked wonders, Top People read The Times, and the height of motoring excitement was to roar across a beach with National Benzol sloshing in one's Ford Anglia fuel tank.

SERVICES



Lynch Robinson went to Stowe, where he was Head of School and a protege of its founder, J.F. Roxburgh. -A more virile and forceful person than his pleasant manners might suggest," wrote his housemaster. He then joined The Times as a junior "space" salesman, but by 1939 was



helping to create the advertisand served in the destroyer HMS Kipling. On leave in 1940 he married LPE, the London Press Ex-Rosemary Scaton, but then change. This was a traditional returned to sea until 1942

and to collect the DSC for his between the two very different part in sinking the German submarine U-75. He was later cultures, and successfully continued the firm's long associhonoured with the Croix de ation with such products as Cadbury's chocolate and Guerre while seconded to a Bulmer's cider. French cruiser during the formandy landings in 1944.

Lynch-Robinson was a chairman's chairman. In an When the war was over, Lynch-Robinson returned to era when many large companies were still family-The Times and more spaceselling. But a friend suggested owned, he did business with his opposite numbers as a respected equal. On one occathat he might have more fun gitself, and in 1948 he joined sion when a crisis blew up on a major account, he went alone to put his agency's case to a typically family-dominat-ed board. He returned a day and very English advertising and a half later after talking quite literally throughout the night. His voice he lost, the account he kept.

Nor was his skill with people wasted after his retirement in 1978. Initially, through his wife's involve ment as a counsellor, he worked with the Marriage Guidance Council, first locally, chairing the Guildford branch, and then as a member of the national executive There he played a key role both in fundraising and in heightening awareness of the

organisation by changing its name to Relate. Outside the boardroom, Lynch-Robinson was at his happiest either waist-deep in a trout stream or quietly pottering in his greenhouse. In 1958 he inherited the baronetcy originally awarded to his grandfather for service in the Irish Government. This now passes to his son, Dominick, who becomes the 4th Baronet. He also leaves his widow, Rosemary. An adopted daughter died in 1993.

The Couotess of Perth. supporter of the arts, died in Kent on June 7 aged 85. She was born in New York on March 19, 1911.

NANCY PERTH was a New

Yorker born and bred who nevertheless spent most of her life in Britain, the adopted country she came to love. When, at the outset of the Second World War, her husband sought to persuade her Island in 1934, then came to and their two sons to go to the live in London. When war United States for safety, she refused point-blank, insisting on staying in England throughout the Battle of Britain. She played an active wartime part in the Red Cross and in the American charity, Bundles for Britain. Later on. in Scotland, she was an active

charities. Nancy Seymour Fincke was born into wealthy New York society. Her father, Reginald. was a successful Wall Street trader. The family home on 72nd Street, and the country house in Southampton, Long Island, were regular haunts for the rich and famous -Averell Harriman was a cousin, and her aunt was married

to the distinguished jurist, Judge Learned Hand. Nancy herself was educated at Brearley School, studying painting and music. She was a keen sportswoman and a bit of a tomboy — her parents were norrified to discover that she habitually visited a neighbouring girlfriend by walking to her house along the narrow

ledge high above 72nd Street. She met her future husband, David, then Viscount

WATERLOO-BRIDGE

for the public accommodation, with as much splendour and dignity as it is possible to give to a ceremony of this description. The bridge as our readers know, was originally named "The Strand Bridge"; but the natural and patriotic desire of commemorating, in the most noble public manner, the ever-memorable victory of Waterloo, afforded a fine opportu-nity for changing its appellation from that of the street merely into which it opens ...

Some time after three the Prince Regent arrived at the Whitehall stairs in his private carriage, whence he embarked on board the Royal harge, bearing the Royal standard. This barge was followed by the Lord Mayor's barge, which attended with his Lordship, and a full company, to conduct the Prince Regent to the bridge. Other barges belonging to the Admiralty, the Navy, and other public offices succeeded, bearing union flags, or the appropriate flags of the respective departments. The discharges of the artillery commenced on the Regent's embarking, and continued till he landed at the bottom of the flight of steps on the south-east of the bridge, which he ascended. His Royal Highness was received in the most respectful manner by the Committee. and then walked along on the western side of

Strathallan, at a dance in New York. He saw an elegant young woman coming down the stairs, turned to some friends and said: "That's my future wife." It took him some time, however, to achieve his aim, and it was not until they met again, in China where he was a member of a delegation headed by Jean Monnet, that their relationship flourished. They were married on Long

THE COUNTESS OF PERTH



broke out, her husband joined the Intelligence Corps and was seconded to the War Cabinet Office.

In 1951, with the death of his father, he became the 17th Earl of Perth, and two years later acquired the charming 16thcentury castle of Stobhall, which had once been the seat of the Drummond family. Between them Nancy and he embarked on a remarkable exercise in restoration, revealing the original painted beams

ON THIS DAY

June 19, 1817 

The bridge designed by John Rennie took six years to build, cost £565,000 and was considered by Canova the finest in Europe, It was demolished in 1936 and the present one completed in 1944

the bridge, between the Duke of York and the Duke of Wellington, followed by a number of military officers, officers of State, and persons of distinction, and attended by a military guard of honour.

Arrived at the north end of the bridge, he descended by the north-west stairs to the Royal barge. The firing then re-commenced, and did not terminate till his Royal Highness had landed at Whitehall watergate, and returned to Carlion-house. The City barge continued on the river for some time after, and the other boats remained a considerable time rowing or sailing backwards and forwards. We scarcely

of the chapel, finding art works appropriate to the period. decorating rooms and transforming the original topiary garden. The result was enchanting. Or. as Nancy herself put it succinctly: "Not bad, I guess." It was this which inspired

her to support the Scotland's Gardens Scheme, and to chair the Scottish committee of the Museum of the Year Award which she did with charm and efficiency. She remained a keen tennis player, a good shot, and fished the River Tay, which ran beneath the castle, with great skill.

She enjoyed entertaining guests in London and Scotland, and was renowned for her dry wit as well as her mpatience with pomposity. "What is he talking about?" she would whisper, sotto voce if someone was hogging the limelight - and that someone might occasionally include her husband. "Don't just gaze at the largest helping," she would chide a reluctant guest, "take it."

Between them, she and her husband enjoyed more than 60 years of married life together, a parmership based on love and mutual respect. In her latter years, Nancy was crippled with arthritis, but she refused all help, waving aside supporting arms, scorning the wheelchair her husband finally acquired for her. She showed the same no-nonsense approach to suffering and iliness towards the end as she had always demonstrated in her life.

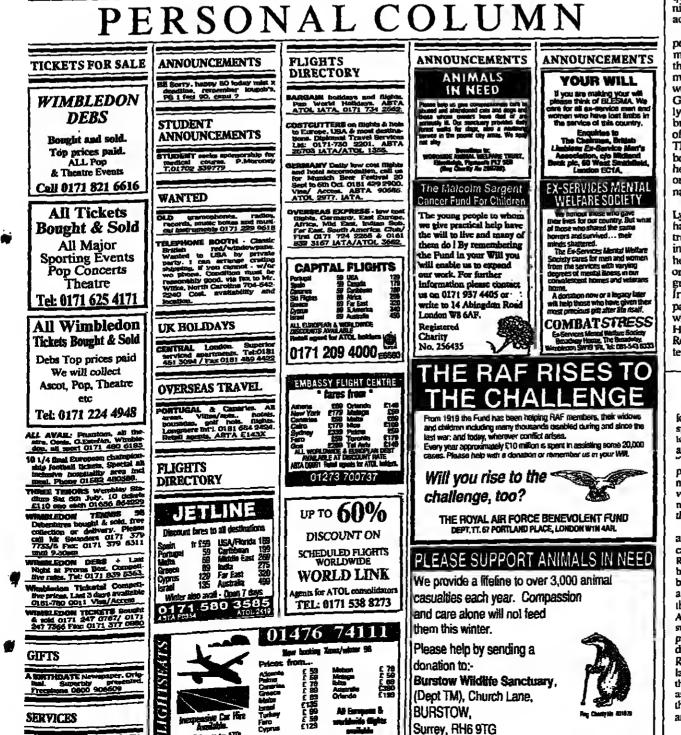
She is survived by her husband and two sons.

recollect an occasion of public gaiety on which a greater number of persons of all descriptions appeared in the streets, and particularly on the Surrey side of the river. Here all the roads leading towards the bridge were iterally crowded. Among other contrivances to in-crease, and to profit by the general popular festivity, a fair was opened a little to the southeast of the bridge, and called, of course, Waterloo Fair, in which, in the true style of the holydays at Greenwich, was a sufficient assortment of different swings, and other vehicles for popular amusement, together with a plentiful supply of cakes, gingerbread, beer and gin . . . All seemed well disposed to rejoice and make merry, and there were not wanting many instances of the usual effects of vulgar hilarity. Decorations of laurel were worn by the soldiers, with "Waterloo, 18th June, 1815," in gold letters ... A large cannon, taken at the battle of Waterloo, was placed on the parade in St James's Park on Tuesday.

Having noticed the particulars connected with yesterday's ceremony, it is an agreeable task to say something of the bridge itself, which we consider to be a very high testimonial of the great abilities of Mr Rennie, the architect, and of the liberality of the great body of shareholders who have provided the funds for its erection.

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### **MEDIA AND MARKETING**

## THE TIMES WEDNESDAY JUNE 19 1996

# Why can't we have a Bart?

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MADDOX

Daily Mail is appalled. It sees the purchase of this animated sit-com as another sign of the BBC's abnegation of programme quality and family values. The Mail should look again. The Simpsons is not only the most moral of cartoon series, but offers the shrewdest glimpse available into the anomie of Middle America. It has my vote for the wittiest and most literate show on television.

f've hesitated to praise the brilliance of The Simpsons because it has been available only to the minority of viewers who take Sky One, a channel offered by BSkyB, partially owned by the owners of The Times, who also own the makers of the programme. Twentieth Century Fox Television. Self-

restraint has been hard. Nowhere are there more dependable laughs. Nowhere else can the scriptwriters be relied on to take a good joke a turn or two beyond the expected. The other week showed young

Bart Simpson fleeing some irate neighbours. As they beat upon the doors of the Simpsons' all-Ameri-can little bouse, the lad desperately dials the police. He gets a recorded message: "You have reached the Springfield Police

Station. If you are being burgled, press I. If you are being mugged, press 2. If you are being murdered or seek personal assistance, please stay on the line." Infuriated, Bart purches in a whole lot of oumbers at random. The automated voice continues on its track: "You have reached regicide. If you know the name of the king or queen being murdered, press 5."

To the Daily Mail, The Simpsons are "a dysfunctional family of misfits whose daily exploits are the opposite of the American dream and self-improvement ethos". Wrong. The Simpson family is not amoral. Only its men are. Bart hates school and breaks its rules. His father, Homer, who swills beer

and eats junk food, tries to escape his job at the Springfield nuclear processing plant. But neither ever gets away with much. The women of the programme rope them back to the American straight and narrow, Brainy sister Lisa gets top marks at school and fights gender stereotyping. Mother Madge, as old-fashioned as her beehive hairdo, exerts control in more traditional ways. Whatever her men get up to, she has them round the table for a home-cooked meal at dinner time.

The Simpsons are just what the Daily Moil loves a monogamous, faithful, mar-ried couple, who love their three children and do not know what has happened to the world they grew up in. They battle with the

t last, The Simpsons are moving to shapeless new America, a land of family their natural home, the BBC. The therapy, street crime, happy-clappy religion, therapy, street crime, happy-clappy religion, aimless schools, multiculturalism, giant discount stores (Madge concedes that the local giant warehouse offers a very good price for 14lb of nutmeg), and aggressive geriatrics. Grandpa Simpson, who demands his senior citizen rights while harking back to his little house on the prairie, is one of the programme's strongest characters. Their refuge and their strength is TV. The programme begins and usually ends with them piled oo the sofa in front of the set. Where they watch themselves. The Simp-

ons, launched in 1990 and winner of two Emmy awards, is a prime text for university courses in media and popular culture. It sassily displays all the fashionable theories, like "self-referentiality". The

Simpsons know they are characters in a television series. They know they are products of a cynical Hollywood industry, whose hard-voiced moguls calculate their impact on Middle alle meir impact on Middle America. They know that the actual work of animation is done by clever factory workers in Korea. (In one episode, they actually visit the factory.) Sometimes they fight back. Madge

confronts the moguls as part of her crusade against violence on television. She launches it after Baby Maggie, after watching the mayhem on the cat-and-mouse cartoon. Itchy and Scratchy, bops her father on the head.

The Simpsons also exhibits modish "intertextuality". At the core of each episode usually lies buried a cultural icon, an old movie or ancient myth. Detecting Crocodile Dundee, Fiddler on the Roof or Orpheus in the Underworld is one of the gratuitous delights of the series. A bookish friend to whom | introduced the programme instantly caught allusions to Henry V and the Trojan

ersonalities from showbiz and politics wander into The Simpsons. uncertain as Pirandello's characters where the reality divide lies. Ex-President George Bush buys a retirement home in Springfield and Barbara bakes cookies. Springfield's rakish mayor has a

John F. Kennedy accent which keeps emerging from motel bedrooms. Forget OJ. Murder One and Alastair Cooke. The Simpsons tells you all you need to know about America today. Why can't someone do the same for Britain? Channel 4. which would have loved to have bought the series, or the BBC, which has won the prize, ought to try. The state of modern Britain deserves reflection in something sharper than soap.

# Plantin lives on, for now

MARCUS PLANTIN, the ITV network controller, is reaching the end of his fourth year in the job. And to celebrate, he

appears to have seen off another attempt to oust him. Nasty rumours have been circulating that the big three ITV companies - Granada, Carlton and Yorkshire Tyne-Tees - were ganging up on Mr Plantin, blaming him for BBCI's success in whittling away at ITV's ratings lead. Granada and Cariton distanced themselves from this move, leaving YTTV rather

isolated. However, not everything has gone Mr Plantin's way. Inquiries about his future prompted a resounding endorsement of his capabilities from Roger Lawton, the chair-man of ITV's Broadcast Board. Any student of football will tell you what it means when the chairman expresses full support for his manager.

On the Boyle PREPARE for an act of God at BBC Radio 4. Radio Scotland's engaging boss James Boyle. who once dismissed speculation that he might land a network radio controllership as being akin to the local priest becoming Pope", is now front-runner to replace Michael Green as Controller of

Not to be confused with the Glasgow gangland ex-con Jimmy Boyle, the Beeb's Mr Boyle is credited with turning around the fortunes of Radio Scotland prior to its becoming Radio Station of the Year in 1994. He is currently on a sixmonth secondment in London as the BBC's chief adviser on editorial policy.

Among his many qualities, colleagues unanimously stress his "niceness". "He has made few, if any, enemies within the BBC," according to one. Miraculous, indeed.

 SENIOR BBC executives who have been led to believe they still have o job in the wake of the corporation's massive restructuring ore now

Radio 4.

Bob Geldof and Paula Yates: separate islands? tive of broadcasting, is to be given an office in the Beeb's central London location. Broadcasting House, ond allowed to keep o pied a terre in the corporation's west London Television Centre. But what of Alan Yentob, still smarting from the fact that he was not consulted obout the changes. and equally determined not to be sidelined in his new role as BBC Director

of Programmes? A growing body of opinion is forming thot Mr Y's hurt feelings could be easily assuaged not only by giving him on office in Broadcasting House, but by ensuring that he gets the one

locations --- but do they really \_ 🛓 need to go to the expense of buying an island?

The company line, appar-ently, is that it will be more cost-effective to own the atoll outright since it is planning to make several editions of the programme for the international market. Insiders suggest, however, that the

investment might turn out to

be a handy retreat for Geldof

Michael Hutchence.

when he just wants to escape his neighbours, former wife Paula Yates and her boyfriend

Bob's new game • VIEWERS who have noticed a slight edginess in the manner of the BBC newscast-BOB GELDOF's television production company, Planet er Peter Sissons need not 24, is understood to be looking worry. A devoted sports fan. for a tropical island to buy off Sissons is determined not to the Mexican coast for the miss a single minute of Euro filming of its new game show, 96, and has installed a tiny Survive, which has been hidden television monitor on described as Gladiotors meets his studio "desk". Isn't this Lord of the Flies. Contestants distracting? Not o bit, retorts Sissons, who is adamant that are dropped on to the island and set endurance lests and he would be able to keep o challenging tasks, such as building a shelter or a raft, on straight face in the event of a which they are judged. . Geldof's co-owners of Planet goal being scored during the opening headlines. After all, he adds, it is his duty to keep fully up to dote with the

24, Charlie Parsons and Waheed Alli, have something of a reputation for designing

current mood of the nation. next door to John Birt's. shows around their favourite Quite.

# One year on, the Saatchis ride high

M&C SAATCHI, the ad agency formed by Maurice and Charles Saatchi after Maurice's dramatic ousting from Charlotte Street, officially celebrates its first anniversary today, More than 1,700 guests will assemble at Charles's gallery in north London.

The agency's year began rather bumpily, with cramped offices and ugly squabbles, but it has bagged about £150 million worth of business, opened up branches in seven locations worldwide and begun producing the sort of startling creative work for which the old shop is famed.

It has constructed a client list which is the stuff of any agency chief's dreams names such as BA, Silk Cut, Mirror Group. Dixons. ITV ... On, and the Tory party. And its UK workforce has grown from five to 170.

"If we'd done a business plan, which we didn't, we would have had a better year." says Nick Hurrell, chief executive, keen to emphasise that "over half" the shop's business is "non-Saatchi and Saatchi".

Maybe the next 12 months will bring

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what the industry has been eagerly awaiting — a public, full-blown pitch between M&C and Saatchis itself.

THE debate over the use of children in advertising rages on in the wake of Bates Dorland's Safeway's commercial featuring Harry "chatting up" Molly in the supermarket.

As many as 25 MPs, including four Labour frontbenchers and one Tory backbencher, have already signed an early day motion proposed by Tony Banks deploring the campaign. Now Banks is upping the ante. Even if his EDM is not debated he plans to table an amendement to the Broadcasting Bill when it returns to the House next month, calling for tougher controls over the use of youngsters in all

advertising. And if that fails, he is fired up enough to pursue the issue directly with the Independent Television Com-

his stand by a bulging postbag of letters from the public.

MISCHIEVOUS rumours have begun to circulate that the Daily Express could be on the brink of reviewing its advertising business. Key meetings have been taking place between Richard Addis, the Editor, Stephen Grabiner, executive director of newspapers at United News & Media, and Lord Hollick, chief executive of United News & Media.

The account has been housed at the rather safe and comfortable DMB&B for a decade, but the Express is understood to be flirting with the idea of a younger, more alternative boutique.

Addis was spotted enjoying Pimm's at the Stella Artois tennis championships last Friday, courtesy of top ten shop Lowe Howard-Spink, which, by happy chance, has a significant gap on its client list for a nice, chunky, newspaper account.

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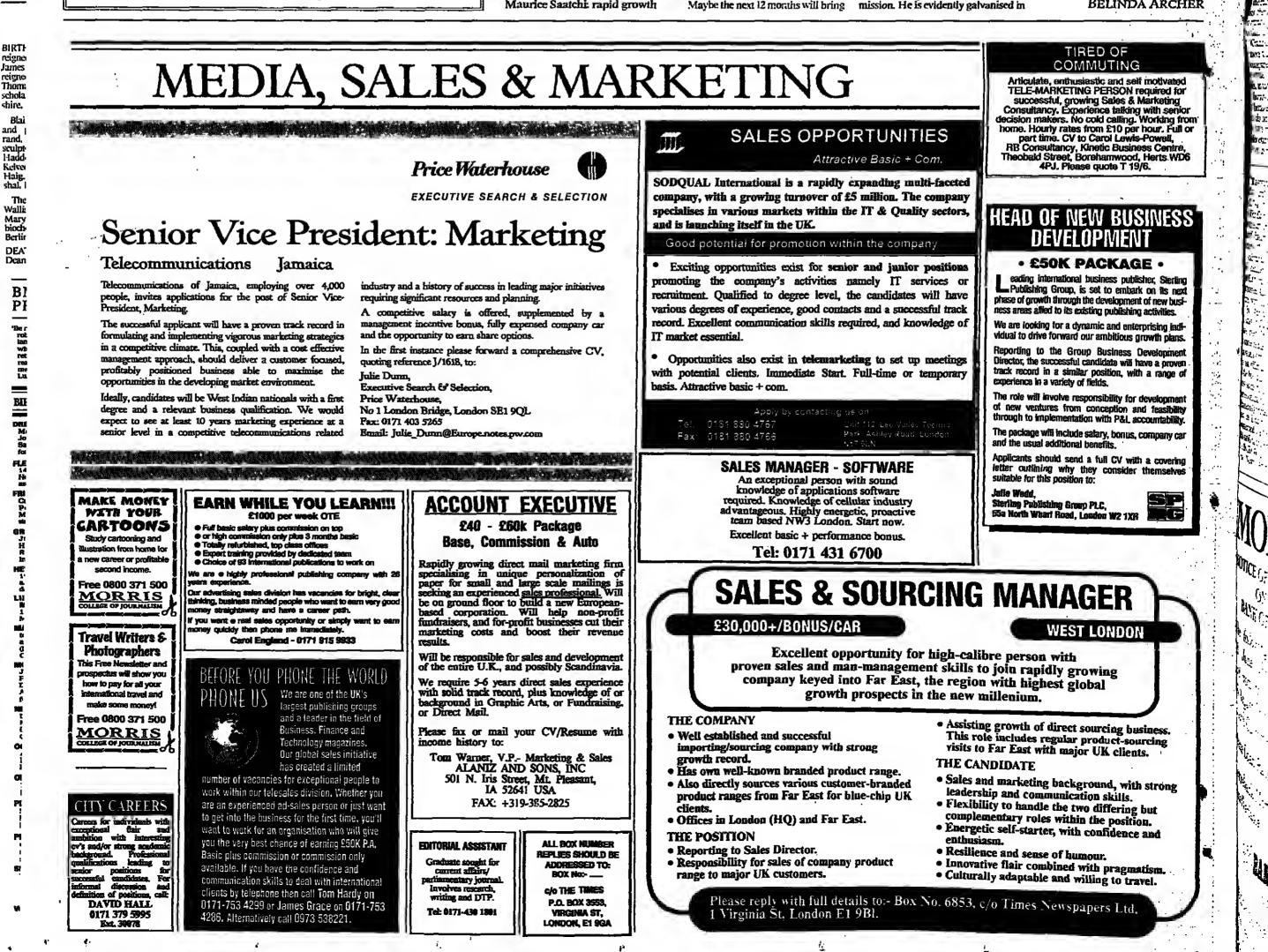
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# wrangling over office space. Will Wyatt, now chief execu-



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# Private eyes focus on C4

Many people in the industry believe that selling off **Channel 4** would curb its instinct for innovation

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eports earlier this week that John Major is considering privatising Channel 4 sounded very much like sabre-ranling. What beller way, in these pre-election campaign days, tu appease Tory rightwingers than to threaten to silence the man they call the naoon's "pornographer in chief". the channel's chief executive Michael Grade, by subjecting him to market forces?

By mid-morning yesterday, how-ever, it was becoming clear that Downing Street is indeed giving thought to the issue. Although the



**ALEXANDRA FREAN** 

Heritage Minister, Iain Sproat, told the Commons that the Government would not back an amendment to the Broadcasting Bill - proposed by the Tory backbencher David Shaw and calling for Channel 4 to be sold off he did not rule out the possibility of returning to the issue at a later date. Downing Street sources have done everything to encourage the view that selling off Channel 4 may feature in the next Conservative general election manifesto.

Mr Shaw, who withdrew his amendment, says that he was not motivated by disgust at the bad language and sexual content of some of the channel's programming. Indeed, he claims to be an admirer of Mr Grade. What Mr Shaw wants to do is to build on Channel 4's current SUCCESS

"My concern is lo turn Channel 4 into a global player. The media is a global industry now, and Channel 4 should take its part in the interna-tional market. To do this il will need access to the markets to raise capital." he explains, then adds, opomistically: I have in mind a company that can take on the likes of Time-Warner and Disney." (Channel 4's annual turnover of more than £464 million is pearants compared with Disney's £7.8

Lew Grade with his nephew, Michael, who, by highlighting the station's commercial potential, is thought to have brought on the privatisation threat

cover advertising dehts and its move to a new building. Channel 4's supporters counter,

anyway, that the best way for it to compete on the world stage is to remain a niche player. commissioning and financing non-mainstream. hand-crafted film and television productions rather than taking on the international media giants that turn out blockbuster films by the yard. It is no accident, they might add, that both Four Weddings and a Funeral. the most successful Brinsh film worldwide ever, and Trainspotting, the second highest grossing film in Britain ever (after Four Weddings), were both backed by Channel 4.

The other two stock reasons for privatisation - to improve value of the product or service for the consumer and

While it could be argued that a few of the channel's executives are superfluous, Channel 4, which has a staff of 550, is probably more efficient than any other British terrestrial television company, with the possible exception of the forthcoming Channel 5. Any suggestions, incidentally, that making Channel 4 responsible to shareholders would curb its penchant for innovation and controversy and reduce the amount of sex it shows, does not hold up to scrutiny. Last year the Independent Television

Commission made 17 interventions against ITV (largely shareholder owned) and 11 against Channel 4. The spectre of privansation has been raised periodically throughout the channel's 14-year history, notably during the passage of the 1990 Broadcasting Act. Until 1992 the station only paid corporation tax on

But the arguments for and against privatising Channel 4 extend far beyond a mere numbers game. Broadcasters of all hues are unanimous in their belief that privatising the channel would be disastrous for the industry. For a start it would upset the delicate balance that exists between Channel 4, ITV and Channel 5, at a time of mushrooming competition from cable and satellile channels,

Ithough Channel 4 does compete with ITV in some areas, its unique public service remil, requiring it to cater for alternative and minority interests, means that its schedule is distinctly uncompetitive in others. It has just completed a season of programmes on poverty, and on Saturday it showed four hours of

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stand the function of The

Economist, he says. It is not

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competitive squeeze on BBC2, Britain's other "minority" channel, which would be under greater pressure than ever to boost raongs in order to justify hs share of the television licence fee.

Despite their support for keeping Channel 4 in its present state, many in ITV believe that Mr Grade has bought the privatisation threat upon himself. Not only has he succeeded in relentlessly upsetting a handful of voiciferous Conservative MPs and right-wing commentators but, more importantly, he recendy highlighted the station's immense commercial potential in his successful and highprofile campaign to persuade the Covernment to alter the "funding formula", which requires Channel 4 to pay tens of millions of pounds of profits to ITV every year. A new formula, proposed in the current opera from Glyndebourne. Channel 4 News, considered by many politi-Broadcasting Bill, would reduce Channel 4's payments to ITV to zero. The entire broadcasting industry will now be hoping that Channel 4 is cians to be the jewel in the station's crown, is screened at 7pm for one as effective in mobilising political opinion against privatisation as it was in winning the funding formula battle.

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# How nicely will these ads do?

Giles Coren on American Express's 'globalising' campaign

The airing of a new American Express commercial next Monday will see the end of an era, as a £20 million campaign bugles the last post for one of the most repeated catchphrases in the annals of advertising lore. Gone are the cringe-wor-

thy interviews with very rich people explaining how the card helps them to spread their piles of cash around more easily. Gonc is the close-up of the turquuise card with the holder's name and all-important membership date.

And gone, reportedly for ever, is the seminal early t980s utterance, first mouthed by a loothy lelephonist nearly 20 years ago: That'll do nicely."

For American Express is no longer just a charge card, It is a brand, And its new commercial is based on the same indeterminate lifestyle suggestions that have habitually been used to sell anything from low-calorie drinks to shaving foam or tampons: people abseiling, going out for dinner and

running gaily down the street with bags of shopping. They are what Russ Shaw, American Express's vice-president of advertising and brand management, calls "a series of successful outcomes in certain lifestyle situations". For brand, read bland

He goes on to explain the soundtrack as "snippets from the American Express back office". This comprises the familiar, positive platitudes repeated ad absurdum: "No problem ... don'i worry ... we can find the plan that best suits you." "The television campaign" is a campaign for the heart."

Mr Shaw says. "And we

By 2000 we hope to achieve our global vision: to be the world's most respected ser-vice brand. We are not just a green card. Indeed, the card does not

feature at all. This, apparently, is all part of "globalising" the advertising campaign. Only 40 per cent of it was shot for the British market (red telephone boxes in green valleys etc); the rest is directly imported American schmaltz, and common to the campaign all over the world.

The upside of this intellect-numbing turn, of course, is that we no longer have to listen to Anita Roddick saying: "I go into villages ..." and telling us how much she likes ethnic smells. "I know some people

'American Express is not merely a green card'

People' campaign." says Mr Shaw. "but it was not going to work

with our new objective - it was too focused on the charge card." It did, though, provide instant association with the company, something the bland new commercial struggles to do.

Ve've spent a ton of money on the new campaign." Mr Shaw continues. "and the visuals - which are very original and high quality will tell you instantly that it is American Express. But these commercials will take us away from the idea of American Express as an

in the office cringed a bit," says Mr Shaw, "but that was more because of her persona than the advert, I think." So there was no hope for Ms Roddick, Sir Terence Conran and the adventurous travel-agent chap? "We tried to play around with the Quality

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billion revenue.

There is, in fact, nothing to stop the channel borrowing money now if it wants to because, unlike the BBC, its liabilities do not count towards the public sector borrowing requirement. in 1992, for example, it took out a £75 million loan (now repaid) to help to

"IFYOUR assistant reads The Economist, don't play too much golf," says the advertisement for The Economist in its appeal to the upwardly mobile movers and shakers in poliocs and business. "Nol all mindbending substances are illegal." Still deadlier: "I never read The Economist - management trainee. Aged 42".

With the witty advertising devised by Abbott Mead Vickers. sales of The Economist have risen throughout the past three decades. It has become a status symbol, looks good on an office desk, impresses the boss and is Britain's most successful political 42-year-old management trainees who don't read The and business magazine.

Simultaneously printed and published in London, Hol-land, Switzerland, the United States, Hong Kong and Singa-pore, it sells 280,000 copies a week in North America,

to eradicate inelficiency - do not really apply to Channel 4. At present. the station's job is to plough as much money as possible into programmemaking in order to create a high-quality product. With shareholders, its main preoccupation would be cutting programme budgets.

and 65,000 in Asia.

cent bonus.

its relatively small overseas earnings and it still pays no money for its licence to broadcast. These special circumstances have

made the channel vulnerable to Treasury types, who believe that selling it off could bring in around ELS billion.

The British voice of authority

hour and follows a non-populist. heavyweight, political agenda. A more commercially orientated Channel 4 would also put a tighter

serious, even dull, on serious subjects. Specialists in foreign alfairs, who describe The Economist's foreign coverage as "superb", would agree.

It is certainly cult reading in America and is as prominentplaced in corporate headquarters as Country Life in the waiting rooms of British denrists (although Edward Heath, stung by criticism, once deridto Andrew Knight, who scorns the sour grapes of Fleet Street ed it as a coffee table magazine for pretentious American hostabout the magazine he edited from 1974 to 1986. Journalists fail to under-

esses). President Clinton is said to be a regular reader, as is his Secretary of State Warren Christopher. Bill Gates, the Microsoft billionaire. is another addict. On his fortieth birthday, staff presented a spool version to him with arocles written in Economist prose.

Datiel Franklin, the Wash-ington bureau chief, is regu-larly assaulted or complimented on the Georgetown dinner party

circuit. Owing to the anonymity of the articles, one tends to get less individual feedback, but I find that people comment in particular on the Lexington column," he

says. The truth, I suspect, is that The Economist is leaving Britain and its increasingly insular preoccupations behind and becoming a genuinely international magazine which is read more avidly in Brussels, Washington, Tokyo or Hong Kong than London. As one of Britain's success stories, the paradox of

The Economist in the 1990s is that its stature is now more celebrated abroad --particularly in the United States and increasingly in

Asia - than at home. Once a must for the chattering classes, it has become their guilty secret. They know they should read it, but somehow they never quite make the time

e there will be a synergy elitist thing for high-flying executives, and into the idea with the national press camthat it is something thal can be useful to anybody. That'll do rucely has become part of the British paign, which will be a campaign for the wallet - a display case for our prod-

ucts and services. "Our brand equity studies vernacular, but we as a brand, are moving on. We show that most people assowill play around and get ciate the brand name only some synergies going. This will be 'in your face' adverwith the charge card, and this campaign will move the brand imagery from a sin-gle product to multiple tising. "In a few years we hope everyone will be as familiar

products and services, causing a reappraisal of the with our new tag line: brand and making it rele-'American Express can help vant to a broader audience, you do more'."

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mist say amen to that. Its profitability gives their journalism self-confidence now absent from the broadsheets, they say, and since they are not involved in Fleet Street's roll. At 52.20 a week, it sells fierce circulation wars. they do about 105,000 copies, air miles not need to enodescend to ahead of The Spectator or New Statesman. "They don't pay middle-market readers. So that if they're not getting they have a licence to be



# the chattering classes ignore PAPER ROUND

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### Mrs Clinton accused of lying

Senate Republicans released a massive report on the Whitewater affair that amounted to the most damning indictment of a First Lady in American history.

On issue after issue, the Senate Whitewater committee's Republican majority accused Hillary Clinton of wrongdoing, directly challenged her truthfulness, and said aides had perjured themselves to protect her ..... Page I

#### Blair to reverse workers' rights policy

Tony Blair was heading for a further confrontation with trade unions after signalling that a Labour Government would not increase workers' rights. Speaking in Bonn, the Labour leader heralded a radical shift in the party's employment policy by warning that unions and workers would not be guaranteed .... Page 1 extra protection under Labour .....

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Thousands of field sports enthusiasts have infiltrated the RSPCA in an attempt to halt the charity's 20-year campaign against fox and deer hunting .... ..... Page I What explosion?

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The National Gallery has agreed to a scientific test of Rubens's Samson and Delilah, after a group of artists challenged its \_ Page II attribution\_

#### War warnings

Israel's Prime Minister-elect, Bin-An elderly and partly deaf man yamin Netanyahu, unveiled his emerged from the wreckage of the bombed Arndale Centre in Manright-wing Government amid chester after sleeping through the Arab warnings of war \_\_ Page 13 - Pages L 5 Kohl's favourite

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Michael Cannon, formerly a Berni Inn chef, was toasting the £70 million he made by selling The Magic Pub Company to



England's best-known umpire, Harold "Dickie" Bird, at Lord's before his last Test which starts tomorrow. Cricket, page 45

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Even sophisticated 20th-century. man draws back at times from 

SIMON JENKINS The lesson the IRA has learnt over these two years is that a British Government only jerks to attention. at the sound of a bomb\_ Page 2) ALAN COREN !

Once, if a man banged his thumb with a hammer, he cried "Damm!" This, of course, upset bystanders who hitherto had heard nothing worse than "Darn!", but pretty soon even children were crying "Damn!" which meant that, if thumb-hammerers were adequately to express their feelings, "Sod!". - had to be pressed into service. ... Page 20

PETER RIDDELL Labour's equivocal support for the Government's policy of non-coop-

eration smacks of the pseudo-patriotism and opportunism of Harold Wilson at his worst ..... Page 12 SIMON BARNES

Perhaps you think that it is inconsistent to call Paul Gascoigne a nitwit one week and a genius the next. So it is; but the inconsistency.; is not in this newspaper but in Gascoigne ..... - Page 50

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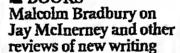
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# £1m in pay and option profits

#### By SARAH BAGNALL

SIR Richard Greenbury, the chairman of Marks & Spencer, last year joined the clite group of British businessmen who received more than El million in pay and share option profits.

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Sir Richard, who chaired the Greenbury committee on directors' remuneration, saw his total remuneration edge ahead E9,000 to £816,000 in the year to March 3I.

His total reward was pushed over the £1 million mark by a £266,000 gain on exercising share options, compared with



Greenbury: edged ahead



£91,000 in the previous year. Overall, 12 Marks & Spencer 3.3 per cent against May a year ago, well above the 1.2 per directors made total gains of nearly £2 million on exerciscent gain for the full year that ing share options during the the Treasury wants to see. In addition, the financial position

Of this, nearly £1.5 million was netted by the company's top five directors.

According to the compa ny's annual accounts, Keith Oates, deputy chairman and finance director, was the second highest paid director, with a total pay packet

of £524,000. Mr Oates also made a £317,000 gain on exercising share options. Overall, the total remu-

neration, excluding share option gains, paid to the group's directors slipped from £5.8 million to £5.7 million.

The company lifted pretax profits 7.2 per cent to 1993.7 million and raised the dividend paid to shareholders by 10 per cent. Sir Richard, 59, has been

with the company for 42 years. According to the company's annual accounts, if he retired at 60 would he entitled to a pension of E423,000 a year. This amount would fail when he reached state pen-

sion age. His annual pension entitlement has increased from £399,000 last year.

Sumitomo was by far Global's largest customer, and Mr Campbell

below the Treasury's targets

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cantly, according to Michael

Saunders, of Salomon Broth-

ers, if the PSBR is to fall close

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John Conlan, left, and Graham Coles. finance director, expect to create 1.400 jobs

# First Leisure set to expand

#### BY OLIVER AUGUST

Spending - as measured by FIRST LEISURE, the bingo central government net deand bowling group, yesterday announced its biggest expanpartmental outlays - was up sion programme, creating 1,400 jobs over the next 18 months. The group also reported half-

year pre-tax profits of £18.1 million up from £17.2 million a of local authorities was much worse than a year ago. Last year, local authorities were in year earlier. Turnover rose to the black to the tune of £600 million in May. This year, the E83 million from E71 million. Right across all our busiequivalent figure was £100 nesses, it is the most extensive expansion we have ever embarked on," John Conlan, the Tempus, page 30 | chief executive, said. "The new

openings will have a very major effect on the bottom line of First Leisure."

Four new nightclubs and seven new bingo halls are scheduled to open in 1997, with construction under way or

expected to start soon. In its fitness division, a cen-tre is under construction in Coventry and will open in August. Three other centres around the country are to open next year.

Following the latest trends, First Leisure is expanding its Mr Conlan said.

BY RICHARD THOMSON IN NEW YORK AND ROBERT MILLER IN LONDON

Brannigans chain of bars with live music. And design work for a Snowdome - an indoor real snow ski slope - is almost complete, and suitable sites are being sought.

First Leisure said it was still affected by competition from the National Lottery. "The sort of people who come to our bingo halls are the same sort of people who buy scratch cards. But at least people no longer stay at home on Saturday nights to watch the draw,"

to pay for the upkeep of the birds in Belgium. Mr Pugh is to make a similar application to the courts to use funds recovered from Pinstripe Farming Corporation, another ostrich company, to which he was appointed provisional liq-

uidator on Monday. Stephen Whitmore, of Wil-sons, the Salisbury law firm representing an action group of OFC investors, said: "The crucial matter now is that the Official Receiver clear up the position as to who owns which ostrich as quickly as possible." The court heard that OFC took £2.85 million from inves-

tors last year, rising to £4.3 million a month this year. The judge said OFC's sales literabunch of lies and half truths". Pennington, page 29

company's chairman. Cowie, the largest bus operator in London, may have to relinquish some routes in the canital to avoid a reference to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission. Page 28 Minorco deal MINORCO, part of the

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Anglo-American mining group, has disposed of a 9.9 per cent stake in Johnson Matthey, the precious metals group, for about £132 million in a bought deal with SBC Warburg, the merchant bank. Minorco will earn a profit of E27.26 million on its original investment. Warburg yesterday placed more than half the shares with institutional investors. Stock market, page 30

MELO BREAKING

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US starts criminal inquiry into copper scandal

INVESTIGATIONS into the \$1.2 had known Yasuo Hamanaka, the rogue copper trader who has inflicted billion Sumitomo copper scandal losses of at least \$1.2 billion on were vesterday moved on to a crimi-Sumitomo. Some copper traders nat rather than a civil footing in the US with the appointment of a grand jury by the US Attorney's office in believe that, in its first year of trading, Global earned around \$150 million from its relationship with New York. A criminal investigation Sumitomo. Copper central to the is also under way in Britain led by the Sumitomo scandal is being stored at Serious Fraud Office.

The grand jury will examine Sumitomo's dealing in the US and its the Metro International Trade Services warehouse in California. links with at least two commodities Sumitomo opened two brokerage accounts in London, at Merrill Lynch trading firms. David Campbell, a coand Rudolf Wolff, over which it gave founder of Global Minerals and Global power of attorney — thus effectively guaranteeing the firm's dealing in London. Sumitomo said Metals, has been subpoenaed to give evidence. The company said that it would eventually be shown that it these accounts were set up by Mr had done nothing wrong.

Hamanaka without its knowlege. and that they only came to light in

May after an investigation. Both Global and Merrill, however, claim that Suminomo officials more senior than Mr Hamanaka knew and approved the accounts. After the investigation a senior executive in Merrill Lynch's copper dealing division left the firm. It is understood that the Securities and Futures Authority. the UK's watchdog for brokers and futures dealers, is now studying the role she played.

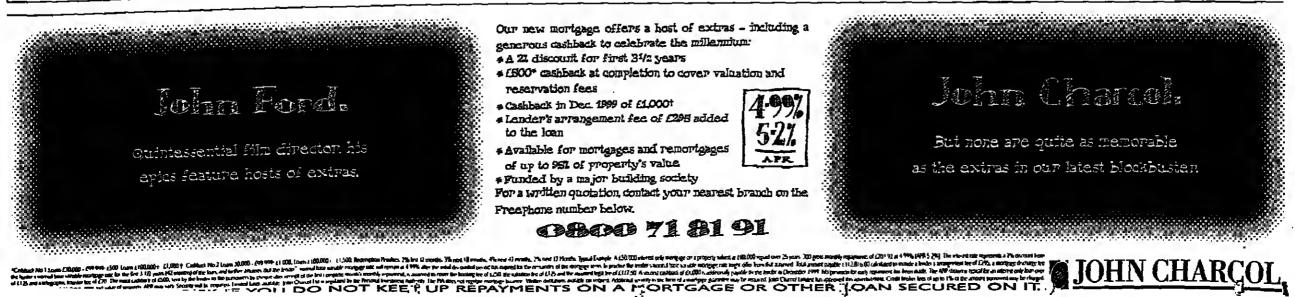
Executives of Global and Birch Brokerage, a New Jersey copper trad-ing firm, are reported to have had close ties with the Winchester Commodities Group and Iceni Commodities Group. The SFA looked into Winchester's dealings with Codelco, the Chilean state copper company and recently

concluded that it had no grounds to take action. It is understood that the watchdog is monitoring Iceni and other firms operating on the London Metal Exchange. In London today the first real test

of the copper market's resilience to survive the scandal will be tested when Prime date settlement day falls due. This is when the longer-term copper contracts move to within three months of their expiry date. David King, chief executive of the

LME, which will make a statement today on the Sumitomo scandal, said last night: "The copper market this week has been orderly and very liquid."

Pennington, page 29 The Metro warehouse in California





#### **BUSINESS NEWS** 28

## Property ruling imminent VALUERS and solicitors

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will be liable for multimillion-pound losses their clients suffered during the 1980s property market crash if a landmark ruling in the House of Lords goes against them tomorrow. A growing number of property lenders are pur-suing negligence claims against surveying practices and the Lords will decide whether valuers were negligent when they allegedly made excessive valuations in the volatile property market of the late 1980s. In some cases, valuations greatly exceeded the price at which buildings hađ earlier changed hands. A number of cases have already been heard in the High Court and the Court of Appeal. Three were

heard by the Lords in January and the rulings will be issued Thursday.

Cordiant buoyant

Cordiant, the advertising group, said it believed it had made up for business lost after the departures of Maurice and Charles Saalchi last year.

The company told share-holders at its annual meeting yesterday it expected revenues and trading for the first half of the year to be similar to the same period in 1995. Charlie Scott, chairman. said: "In the first half of 1995, about £23 million of

revenue came from clients lost due to the turbulent events then occurring." Big name clients such as British Airways and Mars followed the Saatchi brothers to their new agen-

cy M&C Saatchi. Mr Scott said the lost revenue had been replaced with assignments from new clients such as Procter Gamble, Campbell's Soup Company, the Royal Mail and Kingfisher.

#### **Profits dip**

**Mayflower's plans** Japan's economy Standard Life Philip Harris, supplier lo the education, scientific evidence the economic environment was now less buoyant, particularly in Germany. Profits were £18.7 at 23-year high opens office may be thwarted and medical markets, reported a fall in pre-tax profits from £2.28 million million in the six months to March 31, against EIS.8 in Shanghai million, and earnings rose to 13.4p a share from 11.7p. The interim dividend is lifted to 4p from 3p. The shares. to £2.05 million in the year FROM REUTER IN TOKYO By SARAH CUNNINGHAM 10 March 31 after excep-SIX of Britain's largest intook a 24p tumble to 613p yesterday. tional costs of £967,000 for surers have begun the lengthy process of applying for trading licences in China JAPAN'S economy scored its ment that Japan's gross do-MAYFLOWER Corporation, terms of the agreement. Maythe integration of acquisithe UK specialist engineering company, may be thwarted in biggest growth in more than two decades in the first three cent on an annualised basis. Hazlewood's challenge flower said: "The directors of tions. Operating profits rose to E3.28 million from Mayflower are currently conamid estimates that the life The strong data prompted he government to declare the sidering the position and a further announcement will be months of this year, exceeding its efforts to expand in Ameri-£2.44 million. A final dividend of 5.75p lifts the HAZLEWOOD FOODS, the fresh meats and o mos foods supplier, said trading conditions remain very challenging. Yesterday the company reported profits of E34 million before tax for the year to March 31, with earnings of Japan's gross domestic product rose 3 per cent in the could be worth more than £30 billion in the next dea surprise counterbid for Pulleconomy was finally on the brink of a sustainable recovmade as soon as oracticable." Mayflower had planned to total to 8.2p from 7.1p. The man, the manufacturer of shares rose 4p to 286p. three months to March 31 after a rise of 1.2 per cent in the ery, boosting prospects that a change in Japan's policy of partly fund the purchase of cade (Marianne Curpbey automotive components. 13.59p. This compared with losses of £37.6 million previously after a £50.6 million exceptional loss on the sale and Mayflower shares fell 132 p to Pullman with a seven for 10 writes). Media buy 1085p yesterday after it low interest rates may come sooner rather than later. Standard Life became the final quarter of 1995. It was the rights issue to raise £139 Visual Action Holdings. emerged that Pullman. owner of million. If it does not pursue termination of businesses, and a loss per share of 19.20p. The strongest for any quarter in 23 latest of the insurers to open an office in Shanghai althe film production seryears. For the financial year Analysts, who had generally expected a rise of well below 2 total dividend is held at 6.7p a share, with a maintained final of 4.3p. The shares fell 1p to 101p. Clevite, the US auto compothe offer for Pullman, the vices company. has ac-quired Blitz Communthough Chinese bureaucranents maker, had accepted a which ended in March 1996 as rights issue will be cancelled. a whole, the economy grew 2.3 per cent, were humbled. cy means it could be several \$300 million offer by Monroe Mayflower's last big purper cent, ending three years of ications for a maximum Yasuo Matsushita, goveryears before the company is Auto, a Tenneco subsidiary. chase was in August when it **Tring reduces dividend** consideration of £5.5 milnor of the Bank of Japan, said negligible growth. given permission to trade. Earlier this month, Mayflower bought Walter Alexander, the The news sent financial lion. Blitz hires audiothe data was better than General Accident, Eagle announced an agreement to bus maker. It is best known as visual and staging equipment. In 1995 it TRING INTERNATIONAL GROUP, the music, video and CD-Rom publisher and distributor, is reducing the markets into a tailspin. The expected, but he did not offer Star, Commercial Union, acquire Pullman for \$266 maker of the bodies for Rover dollar plunged by nearly one clues as to whether the bank Prudential and Sun Alliance million. Group's MGF sports car and total dividend to 1.92p a share from 4.62p with a final 0.5p. after pre-trax profits fell to E3 million from E5.8 million in the year to March 31. Earnings fell to 4.62p a would start to nudge up rates: for the next generation of Rolls-Royce and Beniley earned pre-tax £740.000 yen to 108 yen and interest have already established an Pullman said it would pay profits. initial presence. Mayflower an \$8.5 million exrates in the domestic market soared after the announce-Anthony Harris, page 31 pense fee in accordance with the models. share from 9.09p. The shares rose 1p to 37p yesterday. Although turnover improved to £28.6 million from £25.5 million, sales have been achieved at lower average prices. **Terrorist insurance** while costs have grown with the increased volumes. **LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES** 0171-782 7344

**Cowie buys** third-largest bus group for £282m

#### BY SARAH CUNNINGHAM

COWIE GROUP yesterday SFO inquiry centred on a gift from Mr Williams to an bought the privately owned British Bus Group for at least executive at the company's £282 million in a move that bankers, Bank of Boston. Under the terms of the accelerates consolidation in takeover, Mr Williams will the bus market Cowie will fund the purleave British Bus but it is understood he could make

chase with a one-for-three rights issue at 355p a share to raise around £186 million. about £10 million from the deal. Mr Hodgson said the SFO investigation should have no effect on the enlarged group's operations. Depending on Brirish Bus's end-of-year profits, Cowie may pay another £20 million for the company. British Bus is the UK's third to be referred to the Monopoly and Mergers Commission al-

largest bus operator. It was described by Gordon Hodgson, chief executive of Cowie, as "the last remaining opportunity for a major strategic acquisition of an independent business in the UK bus industry". He said Cowie expects to

make further acquisitions in the near future. Cowie, which expanded from car leasing into bus operations in 1994 and already owns Leaside and South

London, the London comthe possibility of entering the panies, expects buses to acrail market, where FirstBus count for more than one half of and Stagecoach have been its profits next year. Cowie said that British Bus will be expanding, he said. immediately earnings

enhancing. British Bus controls around 12 per cent of the UK market, behind Stagecoach and First-Bus. 11 employs 11,400 staff and Mr Hodgson said he does not expect to make any job cuts. Its takeover by Cowie will end British Bus's hopes of a stock market flotation.

and GRT, yesterday reported a pre-tax profit of £22 million, Plans for a share offer last down E2.8 million on the year were halted when it emerged that the Serious previous year due to merger Fraud Office was conducting and restructuring costs. an investigation into Dawson Williams, the company chair-

The company will pay a final dividend of 3.4p per share, giving a total of 5p, up man, and other directors. The

Bus operations.

est bus group.



Gordon Hodgson, left, and Steve Lonsdale, finance director, see the deal as strategic

# Pennington, page 29 **Cost of expansion slows FirstBus**

#### By SARAH CUNNINGHAM

FIRSTBUS, formed by the Il per cent on last year. Its merger last year of Badgerline shares closed up 4p at 166p. Since the end of the last financial year, on March 31. FirstBus has bought Greater Manchester Buses North and the smaller Portsmouth Transit. Last month it also made an offer to acquire Scotland's SBH. The company said it

intends to continue its expansion with purchases of some smaller bus companies.

Already owner of a quarter of the Great Western rail operator, FirstBus yesterday announced it has formed a joint venture with the management of South East Trains to bid for that franchise. services".

Moir Lockhead, chief executive, said trading had been going well across the group in the first weeks of the current year. He said the group was "well placed 10 fund both further investment in rail franchise and the continued expenditures on vehicles and

# THE TIMES WEDNESDAY JUNE 19 1996.

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

# **Greene King goes** for rights issue

GREENE KING, the pubs and brewing company, said vesterday that it would be making a two-for-five rights issue at 545p a share to help to pay for the £197.5 million acquisition of the Magic Pub Company. The company said that it hoped to raise £90 million from the rights issue. Greene King added that it expected the Magic Pub deal to be earnings enhancing from the first year and anticipated cost savings of £3 million. The acquisition of the 270 pubs will double the size of the Greene King retail estate and allow the company to expand into London and the South East.

Greene King also unveiled a 12 per cent increase in pre-Greene King also unveried a 12 per cent increase in pre-tax profits to £25 million on increased turnover of £165 million. a rise of 7 per cent. The total dividend was increased 11 per cent to 15.5p, with a final dividend of 11p, payable on September 5. Shares in the company had advanced 14p, to 692p, by the close of trading yesterday. Pub sale, page 1: Tempus, page 30

# **Electricity protest**

THE Electricity Association, which represents the electricity supply industry, has protested over a European Union proposal that would give European companies access to the liberalised electricity markets of Britain and Scandinavia while keeping their own markets largely closed to outside investment. Italy's proposed compromise for a single European electricity market, to be voted on tomorrow, was condemned by David Jeffries, president of the Electricity Association. The new Italian presidency text the Electricity Association. The new Italian presidency text of the directive provides for an initial 24 per cent opening of member states' markets, rising to 33 per cent after six years. Mr Jeffries, who is also chairman of National Grid, said: "This is contrary to the concept of the single market and will not prove sustainable in the long term."

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# **RAF** shortlist

MCDONNELL DOUGLAS, the American aerospace company, appears to have moved into prime position for a £650 million RAF missile contract. It has been chosen as one of two bidders for a new weapon system for the US Air Force and Navy, McDonnell Douglas and Lockheed/Martin were chosen by the US Defence Department to develop a nextgeneration missile system. "Join1 Air-to-Surface Stand-off Missile" (JASSM), for long-range missions. The choice will be announced in 1998, for a contract for 2,400 missiles.

## C&W's £60m bonus

CABLE AND WIRELESS, the UK telecommunications company, will earn an exceptional profit of £60 million when shares in Asia Satellite Communications are floated on the stock markets in both Hong Kong and New York. Cable and Wireless, which is a founding investor in AsiaSat, initially held a 33.3 per cent stake in the company. Its remaining shareholding, of 23 per cent, is worth around £150 million, based on AsiaSat's initial public offering price of HK\$20 per share.

# **Eurotherm advances**

EUROTHERM, the controls and instrumentation company, reported an 18.4 per cent increase in first-half profits yesterday but the company said there was

# **IWP** International up

IWP INTERNATIONAL, the Irish household goods and personal care company. lifted profits to IrE18.15 million before tax in the year to March 31 from IrEl6.6 million previously despite a net exceptional charge of IrE3.46 million. Earnings improved to Ir31.1p a share from 1r29.9p. The total dividend rises to 1r9.7p a share from 1r8.8p, with a 1r5.7p final. IWP said the acquisition of Burlington Toiletries, based in Britain, had enhanced its position in the European

group, expects to expand its Alldays convenience stores chain by at least 100 outlets in the current financial year, giving a total of about 540 outlets. In the six months to April 28, Alldays lifted operating profits by 31 per cent and helped group pre-tax profits to advance to £6.78 million from £6.32 million. Earnings were 12p a share, up from 11.3p. The interim dividend is increased to 5.3p a share from 5p. The shares rose 9p to 554p yesterday.

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# premiums to soar

#### **By MARIANNE CURPHEY**

damage in central Manchesi-er at £200 million.

Pool Re said yesterday that

the full annual premium (ie

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BUSINESSES face multimillfor repairing South Quay cost ion-pound increases in insurmore than £75 million, it ance premiums to cover would require businesses to pay the balance between the full premium and the disdamage from terrorist attacks after the bombing of counted rate. Some estimates put the

backed collective insurance scheme, has announced that from today it will withdraw the 40 per cent discount it had previously offered to business-

This means that premiums this year and next will be almost doubled.

ary is now estimated to have cost £100 million. Pool Re had said previously that if claims

#### **PUBLIC NOTICES**

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#### **BUSINESS NEWS** 29

### Buses move further down consolidation track 🗆 Assigning the blame on Sumitomo 🗆 Whitbread's decidedly mixed double

UWHO would have guessed ten years ago where the bus industry would be today? In 1986, as the centrepiece of bus privatisation and deregulation, state-owned National Bus was split into tiny pieces and sold for peanuts to managers. Councils had to end blanket subsidies to municipal services, and streetwise outsiders services, and screetwise outsiders were freed to start up whatever competing routes they liked after filling a few simple forms.

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If the enterprising Cowie group is allowed to buy British Bus this summer, it will pay the going 1996 rate of £1 per £1 of turnover (some have paid more). And that is because three big companies - FirstBus, Stagecoach and Cowie — will then control about 56 per cent of all the bus services in the country. Cowie reckons its coup, thanks to the SFO spoiling a British Bus flotation, is the last available on this scale. Stagecoach might agree. Its rampant expansion has run so deep into regulatory sands that it is trying to climb out via the courts. But with a couple of others on the heels of the big three, consolidation still has a way to go. In the meantime, a thousand flowers bloomed, faded, died or were pressed between takeover documents. Hail to the exciting era of competition, and goodbye. Big operators, including National Express coaches, have al-

Room for one regulator on top ready moved into railway ser- helps pay to replace ageing buses Mr Hamanaka's decade of try-

**PENNINGTON** 

storm of claim and counterclaim. The LME was tipped off years ago that all was not well with Sumitomo but has taken up

to now to act, say its critics. True, but the LME, if you believe the Japanese papers warned Sumitomo twice over the past half decade that Mr Five Per Cent was up to no good. The company did nothing. The exchange's powers to act were hampered by the fact that Sumitomo is not a member bul trades through intermediaries. Other regulators were hamstrung because Mr Hamanaka lived in Japan and traded in London using firms based in both London and New York. LME traders may have had little

ing to corner the world market because some were doing rather nicely betting against him. These are just the sort of

overlapping accusations that can be expected in the wake of a serious financial scandal like this. Eventually the truth will come out. But two facts are already self-evident.

The market survived. The price of copper remained within acceptable bounds rather than falling off the bottom of the graph, and the damage on settlement day today to most traders looks set to be limited. The second is that if no one

takes too much credit, the LME can expect to emerge with none at all. The exchange was just beginning to shake off its image as the last of the gentlemen's trading clubs, and now this happens. If policing the market and protecting those who trade on it was outside its abilities, then there is no justification for the LME's continued existence. If there were too many regulators involved, then perhaps there should be one. This column has interest in blowing the whistle on argued before the need for a

super-regulator. The pity is that the argument will probably be just as strong the next time something goes badly wrong.

A match in name only

AS the great John McEnroe has been known to suggest in his gentle and understated way, there can often be some debate as to whether the ball is in or out. There is certainly a whiff of chalk dust about the status of David Lloyd, tennis star turned highly successful businessman. Shareholders in Whitbread,

which paid rather too much for Mr Lloyd's tennis clubs last year, were treated to a surreal display at yesterday's annual meeting. Sir Michael Angus, the chair-man, suggested the situation was "under control", an underwhelming response to re-cent reports that his company and Mr Lloyd had fallen out. Meanwhile, a stony-faced

David Lloyd was sitting on his racket some feet away. He had been rather more outspoken three weeks ago in an emotional

told them he was leaving. His plans are important to Whitbread shareholders because of the £200 million that the group paid for David Lloyd Leisure, E40 million was reckoned to be for him alone, or at least for the continuing use of his name. This Whitbread has, for a quarter of a century. But a public bust-up would not help maintain the useful fiction that he and the clubs are still one and the same.

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This is why the two parties are trying to paper over the cracks in public at least, even if in private they may be communicating by lawyers alone. Eventually, Mr Lloyd will have to clarify his position. He may want to run the clubs, but Whitbread has its own management team in. He can continue as a figurehead, as the company would prefer. Or he can walk. But the present tiebreak cannot continue forever.

Wing and a prayer DEOUALLY surreal is the latest from the ostrich wars. There may be 5,000 of the wretched birds on the loose, as investors hope, in which case each might get his or her promised beast. More likely there are far fewer. However large the herd, its shepherd must now be the Official Receiver. Whoever said accountancy was boring?

#### and it holds out some hope for vices. Three top companies have so far won franchises and it is a hard-pressed bus workers. fair bet that bus operators will Regulation of conduct, service end up owning much of the rail and fares is inevitable, and passenger business too, pref-erably in the same places as their logically under the wing of John Swift, the rail regulator. The bus services. Indeed if you win a volumes of detailed assurances rail franchise, you quickly try to mop up smaller local bus sernow routinely required after a takeover show that it has already arrived in a chaotic, piecemeal As the Monopolies and Merg-ers Commission noted after one way. Even regulation, it seems, is ripe for consolidation. of myriad investigations into malpractice by the competition

Up to a point, authorities, the big bus operators show no inclination to compete Lord Copper against each other. Surprise, surprise. The free-for-all has had

**JUST** as precious few traders on the floor of the London Metal Exchange have ever been down a Chilean copper mine or could name six common industrial uses for the metal, few outside the arcane and hermetically sealed world of the LME have much idea how it works. One villain has emerged from

shibboleth, however, consolida-tion may not be a bad thing. It brings order out of the worst the Sumitomo affair. He is Mr kind of predatory behaviour. It Five Per Cent himself, Yasuo allows a monopoly to develop Hamanaka, who does not appear naturally on the majority of to have much to say for himself. routes where there is not enough Everyone else involved is, not traffic for two to make money, it surprisingly, putting up a dust

Carpetright continues to expand as profits soar

#### By CARL MORTISHED

CARPETRIGHT, the rapidly expanding retailer whose chairman is Lord Harris of Peckham, achieved a 28 per cent boost to pre-tax profits last year but the rise to £25.2 million was not enough to impress the City and Carpetright shares fell 6 per

cent to 585p. New stores helped to fuel a 31 per cent rise in sales to £185 million and the company intends to use its debt-free balance sheet to expand the

May was above expectations. Carpetright increased sales from existing stores by 13 per cent during the year to April 30 and the company expects to benefit in due course from signs of recovery in the housing market. City analysts said the results

vices on the line.

the desired effect of cutting

subsidies from taxpayers, even

though most of the cost was paid

for by real wage cuts and higher fares, and the fall in passenger

If you forget the competition

numbers has accelerated.

fell about El million short of their profits expectations. The expense of launching new stores cost Carpetright £1.6 million last year, including the creation of two new brands, Carpet Depot, the out-of-town superstore format, and the

Premier Carpet concession

format. By the end of April.

the group had opened 37

Premier Carpet concessions

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chain from 200 sites to 260 by the end of April next year. Lord Harris said yesterday

that Carpetright had maintained growth in a very depressed market and increased its market share to 12 per cent. "Our aim is to achieve 30 per cent of the market over the next few years," he said.

He said trading since the start of the financial year in



25 Carpet Depots and Lord Harris reckons there is scope for 70 across the country. Another 30 Premier Carpets will open by April as well as 25 more Carpetright outlets. Carpetright finished its financial year with net cash resources of £13.2 million. The company is paying a total dividend of 14.5p, up 38 per cent on the previous year after earnings of 22\_3p, up a third. Carpetright invested £18 million in its business last year but strong cashflow enabled the company to end the year with net cash in the bank.

Harris: growth maintained

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#### CONCESSION OF THE CASABLANCA-EL JADIDA-JORF LASFAR MOTORWAY INTERNATIONAL OPEN TENDER ANNOUNCEMENT FOR PREQUALIFICATION OF BIDDERS

The Ministry of Public Works launches an international open tender for the prequalification of bidders interested in the concession of the Osseblanca - El Jadida - Jorf Lesfar Motorway. This 120 Km motorway link represents the continuity of part of the network already constructed (Kénitra-Rahat and Rahat-Casabianca) and the one still under construction (Kenius-Larache and Fes-Rabat). The concession implies the successful bidder (concessionaire) will take charge of carrying out the detailed and tender design engineering studies, constructing the motorway Casablanca-El Jadida-Jorf Lasfer and operating it for a certain period of time to be defined later.

This tender is open to Moroccan or foreign corporate bodies, companies, banks and financial institutions, public and private rations, slope or associated in joint ventures, and having satisfactory technical and financial references.

The prequalification application documents may be obtained by any and hidder from the Direction des Routes et de la Circulation Routière of the Ministry of Public Works. The application for ratification will be made by answering the questionnaire of the prequalification documents, and the daly filled in prequalification documents are to be sent along with a registration application, not later than July 31, 1996 at 6.00 PM to the following address.

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A briefing session is scheduled to be held on July 1st, 1996 at 8H30 AM at the Direction des Romes et de la Circulation Rontière. Companies interested in attending this briefing session are requested to apply by June 24, 1996 at the latest.

and nine Carpet Depots, while Carpetright has added a further 18 stores. The company is spending El3 million to build a further





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# MICHAEL CLARK STOCK MARKET Johnson Matthey stake brings Minorco £27m

MARKETS / ANALYSIS

MINORCO, part of the Anglo-American mining group, was busy calculating its profit after disposing of nearly 10 per cent in Johnson Matthey. the precious metals group. Minorco sold the 21.3 mil-

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lion shares to SBC Warburg. the broker, at 618p each as part of a bought deal. That is a profit of £27.26 million on its original investment. In 1993 Minorco teamed up with Johannesburg Consolidated Investments to form Garrick Investments, a joint venture company. Garrick paid Charter Consolidated 490p a share for its 19.8 per cent stake in Johnson Matthey. JCI will continue to hold its 9.9 per cent

By the close of business a total of 33.87 million Johnson Matthey shares had changed hands, after allowing for double counting. Warburg said it had placed more than half the shares with various institutions at 625p a share. Once the placing has been completed that is a profit on the transaction of almost £1.5 million, Johnson Manhey closed 20p down at 630p.

The rest of the equity market traded in narrow limits as investors anxiously awaited this week's welter of economic numbers, including the retails sales money supply numbers. Without much of a lead from Wall Street, the FT-SE 100 index closed 5.1 down at 3,756.4, with racing at Royal Ascot and Euro 96 proving more absorbing 10 most investors. A total of 749 million shares had traded by the close. Among blue chips, Smith & Nephew stood out with a rise of 5<sup>1</sup>4 p to 215<sup>1</sup>4 p, on turnover of 7.82 million shares, with brokers reporting strong de-mand from the US. Brokers say the group is about to launch a new skin treatment. Heavy turnover was also reported in Sears as the price slipped 1p to 103p on turnover of almost 10 million shares. There has been talk that the

group is on the lookout for a sizeable acquisiton. Rolls-Royce marked time at 227p in spite of announcing it had been selected by Boeing to supply its RB211 engine for up to 94 B52H strategic bombers.

Barclays Bank was a firm



Peter Wade, left, with Claes Hultman of Eurotherm

where Claes Hultman is chief "buy" to a "sell". The shares closed 29p lower at 594p. executive and Peter Wade. chief operating officer, as the share price turnbled 32p to wished for a better start to first-time trading on the Alter-605p with brokers downgrading their profit numbers native Investment Market. The price started life at 133p for the full year. The fall in the share price was attributed to after a placing of 11.3 million some cautious comments shares, or 30 per cent of the about current trading and company, by Greig Middleevidence of growing research ton. the broker, at 100p. At and development costs. The these levels, the group is capi-

Tom Cobleigh, the managed pubs group that came to market last November at t50p, was steady at 253p. Whispers in the market suggest that a large stake may be up for grabs, providing the springboard for a fall bid. Whitbread, which is on the lookout for suitable acquistions, is seen as the most likely bidder.

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City also failed to muster talised at £37 million. After hitting a peak of 138p, the shares ended the day at 131p. much enthusiasm for full year figures from Carpetright, Pre-Strong demand was reported tax profits were up almost onethird, but with the shares for Fibernet, with almost 2 having more than doubled to a million traded as brokers peak of 644p in the past year made a price in 5,000 at a alone, the group's rating is time. Fibernet specialises in becoming increasingly diffithe installation of fibre optics cult to maintain. Tony Shiret. for high speed digital netretail analyst with BZW, took works. a tough stance reducing his FirstBus, the fast-growing rating on Carpetright from a independent bus operator,

Fibernet could not have

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rose 4p to 166p on the back of some heavily provisioned fullyear figures.

Meanwhile. Cowie Group is snapping up British Bus. Britain's third largest bus operator, for £282 million. To help to finance the deal. Cowie is arranging a one-for-three rights issue at 355p. Cowie rose 3p to 409p.

Greene King is doubling the size of its managed house estate with the purchase of the Magic Pub group for almost £300 million. The deal will be financed by a heavily discounted two-for-five rights issue at 545p raising £90 million. Greene King also announced a 16 per cent rise in pre-tax profits last year. The shares rose 24p to 692p. Encouraging signs of a pick-

up in consumer spending coupled with some better than expected half-year profits lifted First Leisure, owner of the Blackpool Tower, 11p to 369p. Capital Radio marked time at 679p. Goldman Sachs, the broker, has arranged to borrow stock in the company.

Hazlewood, the food supplier, was steady at 102p after unveiling full-year figures in line with expectations. The group gave warning that in may have to make provisions totalling £2 million relating to mad cow disease. A profit setback and a cut in

the dividend left Banner Homes 5p lower at 73p. GILT-EDGED- London reflected a positive performance by overseas bond markets with the longer end of the

market finishing with gains of about £4 in thin trading. The Bank of England has confirmed plans to auction £3 billion of Floating Rate Note Treasury Stock 2001. Remaining supplies of this week's taplet Treasury Index-Linked 2003 were exhausted vesterday, while index-linked issues at the longer end closed with gains stretching to £5 at their

In the futures pit, the Sep-tember series of the Long Gilt finished seven ticks better at £1041316 as a total of 41.000 contracts were completed. In longs, Treasury 8 per cent 2015 rose E932 to E961732, while at the shorter end Treasury 8 per cent 2000 was unchanged at

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TEMPUS So far, so bad billion to £22.5 billion this year. Nearer £26 A MONTH is a long time in public finance. billion perhaps? In his July forecast, Mr ten months an age. So the gilt-edged market Clarke is also likely to abandon his 3 per cent shrugged off an unexpectedly high Mav growth forecast for 1996, being virtually the borrowing requirement and an upward revision of April. May was hurt by lower local authority surpluses. Direct tax teceipts are dull despite new buoyancy in the high street. but Kenneth Clarke can expect a £1 billion plus one-off boost to VAT receipts in June. Even so. Mr Clarke's room for manoeuvre ahead of the election is shrinking fast. He is already making outre a virtue of the "watch my lips, no irresponsible tax cuts" line. Come the autumn, there may be no other kind of tax cuts available. After only two months of the new financial year, but after the sorry experience of the last few months of the last as in some continental markets, rather than one, the Treasury needs to abandon its forecast that the PSBR will fall from £32 help the interest rate structure down. Carpetright CARPETRIGHT is not 28211 going wrong but if investors Carpet Depot format. are chastened after seeing the stock tumble yesterday. Like-for-like sales growth of 13 per cent was impressive they will have been done a but was achieved in part favour. with a one-point slip in gross The shares have doubled over the past year. reaching the dizzy multiple of 27 times margin. As the stores mature. Carpetright should recover its margins but growth earnings before an unexciting set of figures caused a loss of confidence. The trouble is that expectations have run too far ahead - '' and investors had allowed 12.7 themselves to forget that ÷., - 1 growth carries a price. In cash terms, Carpetright -''i has oo trouble paying for its expansion. The company .... turns over its stock about ten ... ... times a year and, with credit ... terms of 45 days, the operation is more than self-financing. However, keeping the + 2 momentum going in new ~ 16 stores is more difficult and + 5 ... - ''i tracts to supply convenience Hazlewood foods to supermarkets. "MAD COW" disease is a Hazlewood has invested £180 - 7 minor distraction for million over four years but ... Hazlewood Foods. A £2 mileven the market leader. ... Northern Foods is only earnlion charge for lost sales and extra costs is an unfortunate ing a 6-7 per cent margin blow but the delicatessen and from this business and meat division was struggling Hazlewood's margin is now with high input orices well within that range. before the BSE scare, causing

Logic suggests that a busiits operating margin to fall ness with high investment barriers, growing at 10 per cent per annum ought to be a Hazlewood Foods has made big strides over the winner but in this case the four years, shedding consumer has been able to duff businesses, such as keep margins low. Hazleshellfish and icecream, while wood is in recovery but at the same time investing in expect no fireworks. convenience foods. The re-

#### sults are beginning to show Greene King

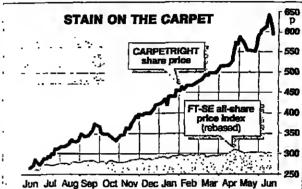
through: volumes were up 4 GREENE KING will need a per cent but the group's return on sales rose half a lucky charm when it takes point, with bigger gains in over the Magic Pub Company in September. The East ready meals and harvest Anglian company paid a hef-

only one still clinging to it. But if the economy is to achieve even a reduced 24 per cent target this year, without the aid of further fiscal aid, he is likely to want to browbeat a weakened Eddie George into more, if tiny, cuts in shortterm interest rates. Attempts to stoke up housing and land markets before the election are showing some results. This will make bond investors more nervous than an obstinately high budget deficit. Further efforts to ease monetary policy, if pursued with the Chancellor's usual blithe disdain, would steepen the yield curve,

brings with it other risks. Carpetright is not only extending its coverage of the country but expanding the size of its stores with the

More Carpet Depots will bring the group head to head with Allied Carpets, its rival, and a more fundamental margin threat. To justify its premium

rating, Carpetright needs to keep earnings growing by a third for the next two years. That may be asking too much.



provides Greene King with a good geographical fit, allowing the company to expand out of its East Anglian heartland into the South East. Magic Pub's founder is leaving in September but the middle management is staying on, which should ensure some continuity. Magic Pub's loud decor and pub memorabilia may not be to everyone's taste but the formula has succeeded in keeping a large clientele propping up the bar.

yielding £13 million profit on

just £84 million turnover. It

Even with the 2 for 5 rights issue, Greene King reckons the deal will immediately enhance earnings. The company also aims to squeeze £3 million of costs out of the business. Revised profit estimates for next year place the company on a price carnings

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### European choice

THE Prime Minister has Rupert Hambro to thank for today's turnout at a livery hall in the city. Determined to make his positioning speech un Europe before flying tu Florence on Thursday. John Major approached the chairman of J O Hambro & Co and head of the Society of Merchants Trading to the Continent at the eleventh hour in search of a suitable platform. Among the committee

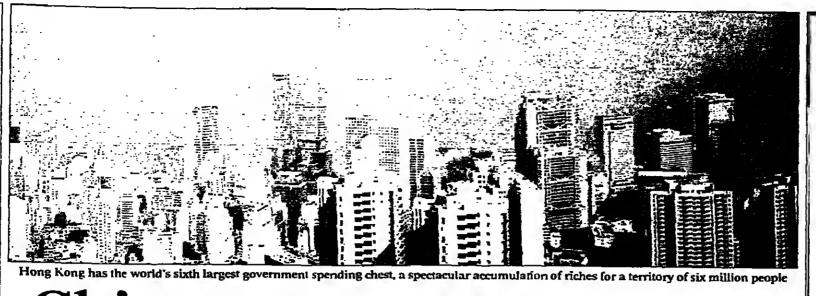
members of the society founded in 1801 - are JO Hambro colleague David Brooke, Amschel Rothschild, and Michael Wentworlh-Stanley from Cazenove. "We are the chosen group," says Rupert, whose cousin Lord Charles Hambro, is both chairman of Hambro plc and treasurer to the Tory party.

#### **Going Dutch**

THE benefits of being owned by a European parent company extend far beyond the balance sheet. Ballast Wiltshier, the construction group born after the Dutch contractor Ballast Nedam bought Wiltshier last year. se-cured 40 seats for last night's Euro 96 match at Wembley, where England took on Holland. The Dutch construction learn flew in yesterday for a prematch bile at the company's Harmondsworth offices near Healhrow. which boast the oldest tithe barn in the UK. and returned the same night.

#### Plan pays off

THE Co-operative Bank in Manchester flew into action after Saturday's bomb, putting into brac



# China casts a covetous eye over Hong Kong's coffers

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Because China is currently soaking up

DeGolyer says, if it can see a semi-le-

remarkable eleventh-hour rescue of de-

rubber-stamp legislature being ap-pointed in stages by Peking standing in

hris Pauen calls it "the big-gest dowry since Cleopatra," Tom Walker on what might happen to the while newspaper editors have colony's huge reserves after the handover coined the less arcane "Trea-

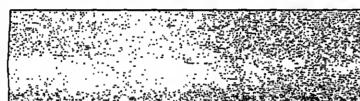
misplaced: £45 billion, the ball-park value of Hong Kung's foreign exchange of the Joint Declaration, of the Basic reserves. is a ridy sum in any language. Law. of the unerances about "one In this final chapter of empire, the country, two systems" - of every piece question on everybody's lips is: can of paper waved about and debated for China be trusted not to raid the kitty? the last five years - is that Hong Kong's independence as a "special The cash has accrued largely because of Hong Kong's phenomenal growth since the Second World War, its administrative region" (SAR) of China was to be underpinned by a capacity for self-government and financial auposition as the world's entrepot for tonomy. There was to be no "adding China, and the Government's ownership of land that has been subject in the together" of the foreign reserves; for 50 past 20 years to the headiest spiral of years at least, the money should belong

to Hong Kong. Peking, saddled with a huge budget deficit, has obviously This winning formula has reaped a sum a third greater than Britain's developed other ideas. foreign reserves (E30 billion) and easily Michael DeGolyer, a veteran Hong sufficient to pay off Britain's annual budget deficit (£32 billion last year). It Kong watcher and sociologist, says the financial community, cowed by a is the world's sixth largest government

climate of political correctness in passing comment on China, is "intrigued to terrified" at China's plans. Although Mr DeGolyer, a senior lecturer at Hong Kong Bapost Univer-sity, believes China would not be so naive as to to just grab the cash, he can see many areas of potential "patriotic

sides quickly agreed that it rightfully belonged to Hong Kong, and while the handover talks were in their infancy China could put pressure on the new the value of the Hong Kong Govern-SAR Government to invest the reserves ment's cash assets was largely forgotin national bonds or pension schemes. ten. But then came Mr Panen as governor and his reform programme. Talk of democracy and conditionality Other supposedly autonomous regions of China are forced to take this course. with up to 30 per cent of their ready cash transferred into patriotic bonds. rattled China, and the vital element of

found the answer. Other analysts have even imagined scenarios where China could divert the money to military spending. If it decides Hong Kong's naval defences need bolstering, for example, and ships are ordered, the bill could quite spending" where the money could quietly be filched away. possibly end up with the SAR. What excuse other than that the West is rearming Taiwan is needed? "It is quite conceivable that China will buy an aircraft carrier fleet - something it has long coveted - berth it at Hong Kong's



new naval base and send the bill to the Hong Kong treasury." says US military source. "That would wipe out \$10 billion of revenue surplus fur a start." lan Perkin, chief economist of the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce, says: "Infrastructure, bonds and equities, nuclear power so much of the world's capital, Mr plants - it can all be dressed up as gitimate route to domestic cash it will nation-building." take it. Unless Mr Panen can pull off a

Officials are more cautious. A spokesman for Joseph Yam, Hong Kong Monetary Authority chief executive, said: mocracy, it is difficult imagining the People don't feel they can talk about it because it will be the property of the Government of the SAR."

Another grey area for spending could be in infrastructure projects linking Hong Kong and the New Territories to Hong Kong's treasure is in two storehouses. The Monetary Authority guards the largest pot, the "exchange fund," valued at £38 billion; there is China. A massive civil engineering plan to build a railway link to China up the then the Government's fiscal surplus. western side of Kowloon and the New estimated at about £15 million. together Territories could cost more than half a with foreign-exchange backing for the Hong Kong dollar. Lastly, another £7 billion pounds, slightly more even than Hong Kong's new airport at Chek Lap billion is stored in a "land fund" trust. Kok: China and Hong Kong are at set up to mollify Chinese concerns that loggerheads over how to fund the project, but next year China may have London would loot the Hong Kong till before leaving. China, a nation with a long memory, likes to deflect anention from the subject by recalling how when the pound was devalued under Harold Wilson, Hong Kong's assets disap-

peared almost overnight. Analysts are already pointing out that China, when lumped together with Hong Kong and Taiwan, is statistically a more acceptable entity than China alone. In the balance of payments debate with the US, for example, China's surplus has gone from virtually nothing in 1979 to \$34 billion today. Economists point out that this is because much manufacturing of plastics and light electronic goods has moved from Hong Kong and Taiwan to the mainland. If their balances of payments are included in the equation, the increase in the surplus with the US is

much more gradual In the context of global politics and trade bargaining, the day could arrive

# ANTHONY HARRIS Keynes scores first in the Old Saws Test

The surge of growth just reported in Japan should have Lord The irony here is that devaluation only works if some-body does not devalue. So Keynes cheering io his the new orthodoxy may grave. Here is a recovery produced by Keynes's own method — heavy deficit spending on public works. have a much shorter innings than the old; pragmatism wins. But can monetary policy be left to pragmatism? This is widely supposed to be impossible in the modern world: the bond market vigilantes would never al-low it. But they have. Mean-while, the French are

proving Keynes's negative message: the futility of try-ing to balance the budget in recession. The Commission des Comptes estimated last week that M Juppe's policies have so depressed the economy that, despite real cuts and higher taxes, revenue is falling nearly as

fast as expenditure. Sound money men. whether of the Maastricht fiscal school or just monetarists, should be coaching in the nets. Tokyo has success-fully defied their rules, (and proved, in passing, that devaluation does work in the

right circumstances); and the recovery breaks a supposedly immutable law of monetarist economics. It started before the surge in monetary growth which is supposed to precede any upturn. It may be too early to declare a result, though. This was only the first innings and while two current dogmas should be dropped by the selectors. one remains doubtful. First, the duds. The prac-

tice of fiscal Puritanism has never been as rigid as Thatcherite handbag rules end. suggest. The French may have forgotten it, and Gor-

sick bank is a change of management, followed by a diet of safe lending to the Government. But what happens when the banks want to resume normal business? The "sound" rule is to let them sell their bond holdings in the market; this will

The money growth numbers worrying the bond market so much may reflect technicalifies; or something more sinister. Glitches are easy to suggest, such as the backwash of Japanese currency intervention. Or it could be a build-up of institutional liquidity as fund managers, both in Wall Street and in this country, as fund managers fear that the bond mar-ket is past it sell-by date, and the equity bull market may be approaching it. The institutions have always been a problem: John fforde, who managed British money 20 years ago, once wailed: "Why should I worry just because the pension funds are dithering?" The case for worry, though, is simple: one reason why the money growth numbers are high is that both the US Fed and the Bank of Japan are

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beginning of the story is clear - the banking crises in

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supporting their own bood markets, and thus creating money. This tactic breaks one of the most hallowed rules of sound management. It can only be justified by exceptional circumstances, but nobody quite knows what they are this time. The

both countries - but not the

tice a confingency plan established after the IRA bombing in 1992. Seven bundred staff from the bank's headquarters in Balloon Street, which is only 250 yards from the scene of the explosion. have settled down at desks dotted around the city, as far away as Salford and Slockport. The bank hopes to return to its original offices opposite Victoria Station tomorrow.

confidence, especially when party warts in Peking have begun to talk of the reserves as their own

sure Island". The sobriquets are not

property inflation ever witnessed.

spending chest, a spectacular accumu-lation of riches for a territory of six

million people. Only in the earliest stages of negotia-

tions between Britain and China was

there any speculation that the money

could be repatriated to Britain; both

trust necessary for a smooth transition

Now, with just over a year until the

handover, economists and academics

are becoming wary of China's inten-tions with this windfall. That China's

Government happens to be Commu-nist, secretive and riddled by patron-

age and corruption does not inspire

has long since disappeared.

The most ominous indication came last month when Zhu Rongji, a Chinese vice Prime Minister, said he had few worries about the stability of the Hong Kong dollar post 1997. "Mainland China has foreign-exchange reserves of 90 billion US dollars." he said, "and Hong Kong has more than 60 billion dollars." Then came the slip: "When the two are added together, it exceeds the foreign reserves of the United States." The whole point



when it is easier to forget that Mong Kong exists. "I pointed this out once." says one Hong Kong trade organisation economist. "I got a very severe talking to: if your job is to defend the interests of Hong Kong, you do not combine its trade figures with China's, unless you really want to become persona non grata around here."

The international protest at China's occupation of Tibet has hardly been deafening, after all. "Never forget what Deng Xiaoping once said." says Mr DeGolyer. "Hong Kong is going to contribute to the modernisation of China."

ways: the US shows that moo up money, raise inter growth and employment est rates, and so assure can be sustained even with a order. But both central tight Budget given enough banks seem to doubt that monetary stimulus. Current experience, then, does not suggest a world

don Brown never have

learnt it: but Lord Lawson.

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deficits may properly rise

during a recession. Where high debt precludes actual

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their patients are strong enough for this self-administered cure. If they are right, growth will reduce Government borrowing, and normal rules enforced in happier times. If they are wrong, stand by for bond market trouble soon, and

without constraints; simply a more pragmatic approach to policy making. And the strong currency doctrine seems to have retired. We are all devaluationists now - even the Bundesbank. inflation later.



"Pass me another paracetamol

#### **Dropping** in

ONE bundred City employees from firms including Barings. Hill Samuel and SBC Warburg will be throwing themselves off the 150-ft historic tower of St Lawrence Jewry today. John Cook, the flower seller outside St Margaret Pattens in the City, the Rev Joy Carroll, the model for The Vicar of Dibley, and Rory Bremner, the comedian, will be among the characters abseiling in Gresham Street, in aid of the Church Urban Fund.

AMONG a leam of London chefs invited to Wembley last night by MasterCard were Antony Worrall Thompson and Bruno Loubet. As sponsors of Euro 96. MasterCard invited the fiery chefs for a bile to eat at the Wembley Hilton and a chance to cheer England in its match against Holland. Neither hot dogs nor burgers featured on the menu for the chefs from restaurants including Daphne's. Le Caprice and The Ivy to thank them for their custom. MORAG PRESTON

thousands of loyal employees From Irene Davis Sir, As an employee, consum-er and shareholder of British whose numbers have already been cut by 25,000 (40 per cent) in the past three years. Gas. t am most concerned about the latest Ofgas propos-The proposals now on the table will force British Gas to als. These proposals appear to cut up to 50 per cent of the be ripping the heart out of a company that has strived to provide balanced treatment of current TransCo workforce a further 10.000 people. all stakeholders.

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Industry the loser of Ofgas proposals

As a shareholder. I have watched the price of British I have been employed by British Gas for nine years and Gas drop through the floor can honestly say that t have due to the uncertainty caused by the regulator, who has never worked harder than I do seemed to have ignored many now. Many people in the of the findings of the MMC industry are under immense and bitten deep into what is already a thin hide. The Gas pressure and stress is now a common occurrence among all groups. I have seen several industry would have a bright future if only it was left alone colleagues crack up and reto get on with it, but I now fear cently one left the company that all the good work that has and commined suicide shortly after leaving. These pressures are being caused by trying to been done in the past will be undermined by a vicious intent to gain political mileage maintain an effective and safe environment with too few out of a company that is trying people, t can go along with its best to satisfy all stakeholdchange if it is change for the ers. The current share price reflects the unstable climate better, but I cannot see the and I would not be surprised if point of change for the sake of

the company had already reached a point where a change or, in the case of Clare Spottiswoode, for career takeover is imminent; 1 wonder if this would be a British She may be trying to chamtakeover. I doubt it. pion the cause of the consumer Yours faithfully. in terms of cheaper gas prices. IRENE DAVIS. but I doubt if the consumer 12 Merrick Court, will want this at the expense of Merchants Quay, Bristol. safety and the livelihood of

ship's wishes. Not so.

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Review should be carried out fairly From Mr Philip G. Rogerson Sir. Tempus (June 15) stated that British Gas's response to the Ofgas TransCo formula reviews proposals was "strong on presentation" but "fell curiously short of engaging the regulator on substantive issues".

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Tempus correctly describes BG's complaint that Ofgas has refused to provide key assumptions about operating costs and the financial models that underpin the regulator's proposals. In fact, Ofgas has also refused to provide the relevant consultants' reports underpinning its proposals on operating expenditure and capital expenditure. Their excuse - that they may be required for an MMC inquiry - is disingenuous and at odds with their claims of transparency.

As to our being "hardly a model of openness, refusing to publish (our) own pricing proposals, which (we) admit would offer less to consumers", we have provided Ofgas and its consultants with everything they have requested. In any event, what is offered to consumers depends on what gas suppliers - not TransCo - are prepared to charge. Our proposals for TransCo

charges are based on continuity with the 1993 MMC recommendations and the current price formula put in place by Ofgas. British Gas may know that

"it could never make cuts that would put public safety at risk".

Can the same be said of Ofgas with respect to the allowable income?

The most disturbing part of Tempus's article was "behind the regulator's proposals is an attempt to recoup some of the huge cashflow from the pipelines that has been reinvested in global gas and exploration" The TransCo formula review is supposed to be based on an appropriate and fair balance of interests between shareholders and consumers. It should not, as Tempus suggests, be based on the denial to TransCo of recovery of past investment, previously allowed, with income lost being made up by businesses

outside of the regulatory ringfence. Yours faithfully, PHILIP G. ROGERSON. Deputy Chairman. British Gas. The Adelphi. I-II John Adam Street,

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#### From Sir William Arbuthnot Lloyd's package will Sir, Ron Sandler (Executive not stop recurrence Voice, June I) says that Lloyd's

is carefully applying its E3.1 billion funding package in accordance with the member-Meanwhile The best underwriters who continued to make profits from 1988 to 1992" and those managing One third of Lloyd's memagents who take 15 per cent bership is not litigating at all commission on the £2.5 biland obtains no benefit under R&R. Only one member of Sir lion-plus profits made in 1993. 1994 and 1995 (with fees that is Adam Ridley's committee was a non-litigant (whose wife was some £525 million) are contrib-

past. Lloyd's will force through the package using a combination of delaying lactics to ensure successful litigants remain unpaid, threats not to refund the names' own money and the fear that the alternatives are worse. But this is not an acknowledgement of past mistakes and present injustice, nor does it prevent the same thing happening again. Yours faithfully, uting a mere £145 million to the Ell.4 billion of market

SIR WILLIAM ARBUTHNOT, ferring money from some sole traders to other sole traders. losses. Those agents are not without responsibility for the 14 Ashburn Gardens. Kensington, SW7.

# **Midland Interest Rates** for Business Customers

NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS

New business rates effective from 14 June 1996	Gress %	Gross CAR %
Noney Muster		
Up to £5,000	2.34	2.35
£5,000+	2.53	2.55
£25,000+	2.83	2.85
£100,000+	3.02	3.05
£250,000+	3.27	3.30
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£5,000+	3.64	3.70
£25,000+	4.17	4.25
£100,000+	4.41	4.50
E250,000+	4.65	4.75
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£25,000+	3.48	3.50
£100,000+	3.92	3.95
Education Account		
Up to £25,000	3.40	3.45
£25,000+	3.89	3.95
Treasurer Account		
Up to £2,000	1.00	1.00
£2000+	1.00	1.00
£10,000+	2.96	3.00

Gross: The rate before the deduction of tax, CAR: Compounded Annual Rate, or the true Gross return taking into account the frequency of interest payments. All rates quoted at a per annum. With effect from the 6 June 1996 Base Rate has been reduced by 0.25% to 5.75% p.a.



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troubles may be attributed to their poor mathematics. On page five of their annual report they state they have 18 council members, but their sums add up only to 16. Page 56 also shows but 16 members. Who are the phantoms? Yours faithfully. G. M. B. SELOUS. Langley Grange. Loddon, Norwich.

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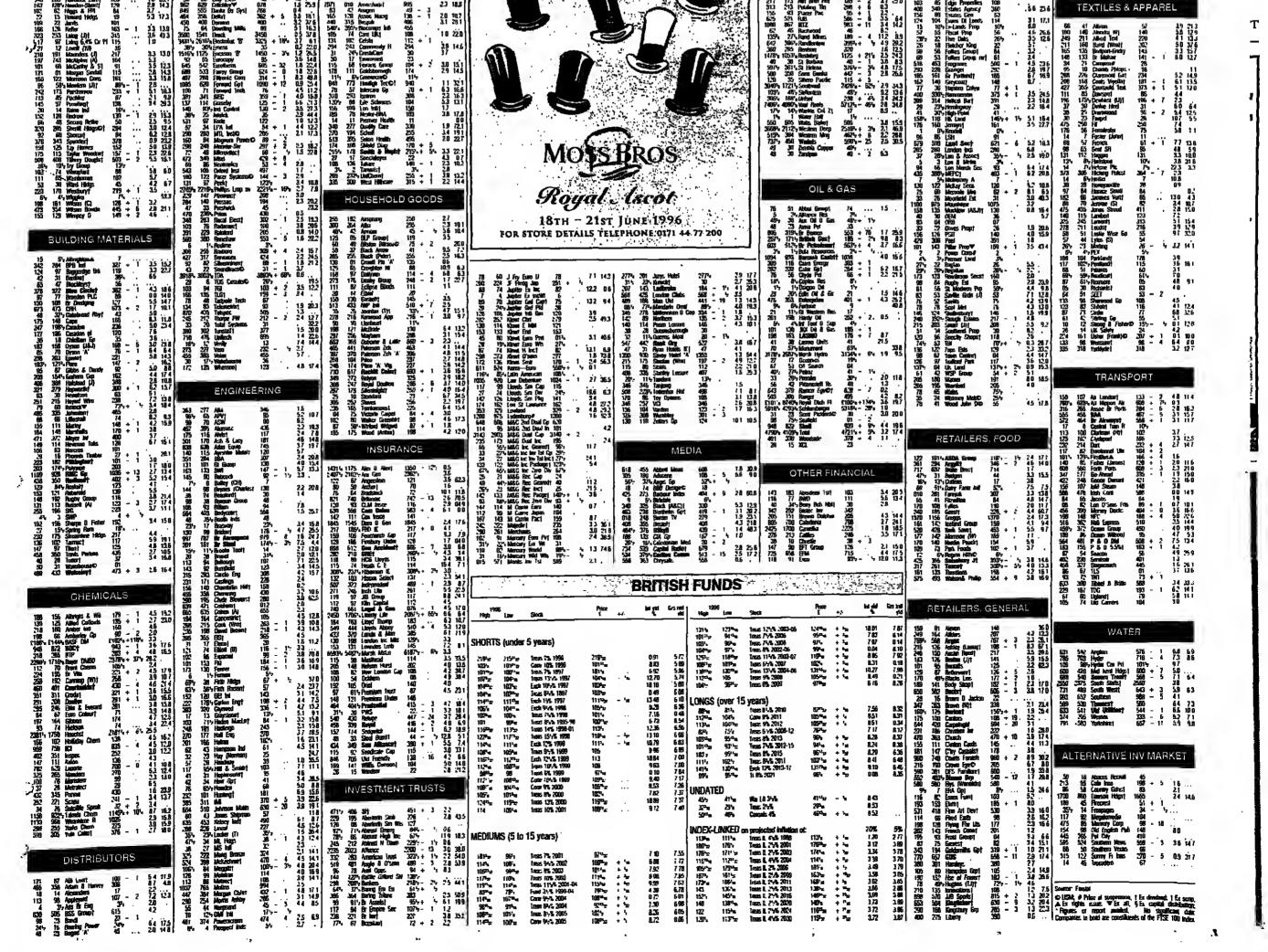
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Tony Dawe discovers just how much work it takes to provide the champagne and strawberries at Wimbledon

### **TUPE DECISION**

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# Anyone for strawberries and tennis?

Yevgeny Kafelnikov from Sergei Bruguera and even understands the rules of croquet, but ask him about facilities management and he looks blank.

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Yet for the coming fortnight, Mr Gorringe will be acting as the most high-profile facilities manager in Britain. As chief executive of the All England Lawn Tennis and Croquel Club, he is responsible for 85 fulltime staff and many hundreds of "outsource" workers who must play as important a pan as the tennis stars to ensure the Wimbledon championships are a success. In the best traditions of Wimbledon, he sees himself as a club man rather than a manager. He joined the club 23 years ago and believes that while traditions are observed, the facilities at the championships are the best possible.

"When visitors leave at the end of a day, we want them to be able to say that they have had a great time at Wimbledon," he says.

To achieve this, he, his team and the club's committee adopt a British compromise style of maoage-ment. The kitchen workers,

THE OLD South has seen nothing like it since General Sherman fed his

Yankee army off the land while march-

ing through Georgia, Rodney Hobson

writes. Aramark, the catering specialist, needs 61,958 steaks, 3,333lb of black-

eyed peas and 11.000 baguettes to cope

with the invasion of Atlanta this summer. Aramark will be feeding

15.000 athletes at the Olympic Games

from July 19 to August 4. More than 100,000 hours of planning

by chefs and nutritionists has resulted

in a world menu of 550 recipes designed

for contestants from 197 countries. American hens will be obliged to lay

576.000 eggs.

hris Gorringe knows a stewards and office staff who look drop volley from a after the club's 375 full members topspin lob, he can tell throughout the year continue to do their jobs, while an army of contractors is brought in to cope with the 28,000 spectators plus players, officials and the media ho throng the club grounds for Wimbledon fortnight.

Some of these contracts have run for decades, some have gone out to tender and others have been awarded after recommendations or presentations to the committee. We don't follow hard and fast rules." Mr Gorringe says. "You have to remember that for most of the year we run as a tennis club with a committee of 12 volunteers but also happen to host the champi-onships with help from the Lawn Tennis Associacion.

Decisions about contracts are made in the autumn. The bestknown contract is held by Town and Country Catering which supplies 12 tons of salmon, 24 tons of strawberries, 200,000 sandwiches and thousands of gallons of drinks

from champagne to cola\_ vital contract is held by Equity "We have been using the company since 1936," Mr Gorringe says. "but it has to justify its position. Our catering sub-commit-

What Olympians will eat

A good deal? The company that provides the strawberries says it never gives fewer than ten a portion, no matter what the size when about a dozen staff will begin tee looks into the contract in close detail. There are not many companies, however, which can carry out what is the largest catering operation at any single sporting event in Europe, especially in such ing director of Equity, says. He approached Wimbledon a tight space." A less high-profile but even more

Cleaning Services, which provides 300 staff ranging from court attendants to toilet and office cleaners. the contract. "Our contract runs from mid-May.

Securicor, which provides a large tidying up the place, to the end of number of guards who are supple-August when everything should finally be back in order for the mented by service and honorary stewards appointed by the All members." Ray Pagliaro, manag-England Club. Ticketmaster provides turnstile

staff and Heriz holds the transport officials in 1985 after his company contract, which in turn is had begun to specialise in outdoor outsourced to a company run by events such as the Farnborough Air Pat Edwards, which recruits drivers to take the players and VIPs to Show, was asked to tender and won and from the championships. "That's not all," Mr Gorringe

Other major contractors include

FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

How the Americans are running the show around the world

A LEADING international tennis championship such as Wimbledon will obviously require the services of facility managers. but even small town clubs and modestsized hotels are now seeking FM services to arrange tennis tournaments and coaching, Tony Dawe writes.

Peter Burwash International, based in Houston, Texas, has grown to become the largest tennis management company in the world with 85 professionals staffing 50 sites in 23 countries. It now has a rival with the formation of Tennis Professional International (TPi) which describes itself as a "tennis facility management organisation". Founded in California by Lloyd Schweiger, a tennis professional turned entrepreneur, it aims to take on all the tedious tasks which tennis club officials and hotel activities managers hate. It will



arrange individual coaching and classes. attempt to make them interesong and plan any type of tournament from a club "round robin" to an open championship.

One of its first contracts is with Cap Juluca, the award-winning resort on the British West Indies Island of Anguilla. where John Miller is the TPI professional. Aged 21, he spent two years on the

international circuit before deciding he would prefer to coach and manage. "It's a tremendous game and I hope to

everyone's hard work.

get as many guests as possible enjoying it." he said. "Coaching can be fun and still improve ground shots and volleys and help players with doubles strategy. Competitions can bring out the best in

adds. "We need 120 court coverers

girls from local schools and tempo-

in case of rain. 180 ballboys and

rary staff to help the groundsman."

that if a player goes missing or any of his staff fall down on the job he

will be called on to explain why to

the world's media. Despite this. Mr

Gorringe seems remarkably calm.

of the one factor that can destroy

The sun helps," he says, thinking

The chief executive also knows

players and in the long run I would like to attract some top names down here to coach and play alongside guests in pro-am lournaments."

The arrangement with Cap Juluca is that the reson takes half the coaching and olaying fees in return for providing and maintaining all-weather courts. TPI took over the contract from Peter Burwash but has a long way to go before it can claim, as Burwash does, to have "reached four million tennis players in the past 20 years". | at more than 60 other British sites.

# **Businesses** end long campaign

usiness service providers have decided to end their B have decided to end their ing out removed from the provisions of the European Union's Acquired Rights Directive, which protects the rights of employees when a business changes hands, Rodney Hobson writes.

This change in the stance of the strongest cricc of the directive and of Tupe - Transfer of Undertak-ings (Protection of Employment) the UK regulations that implement the EU directive, represents a triumph of realism over aspira-tions. The directive has produced conflicting coun and employment tribunal rulings in Britain and on the Continent. The EU has been trying for more than a year to come up with a form of words that would clarify the issue.

Norman Rose, the Business Services Association's director-general, told a London conference on Tupe: "Business requires certainty from the law, particularly in an area such as the Tupe regulations, where confusion has been widespread. We do not believe that the new wording for Article 1.1 pro-posed --- and now to be withdrawn - by the European Commission would achieve the desired effect of excluding contracting-out. Instead, it would simply reopen commerci-ally damaging and costly legal uncertainty.

"Similarly, we believe that any amendment, drafted in suitable terms for inclusion in the directive and for the agreement of all member states, would be unlikely to achieve the required certainty. Mr Rose said that case law developed over the past two years had consolidated the view that Tupe did apply to contracting out. If the directive were to be amended. companies that had inherited liabilities under Tupe would be unable to pass them on. These costs could be substantial as they would relate to all previous periods of employment before the transfer."

#### Correction

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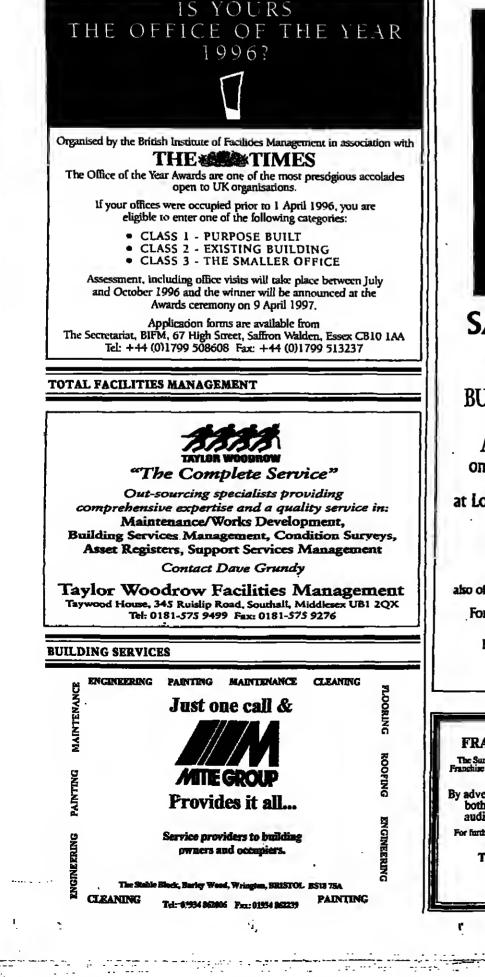
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home, Aramark will supply 7,850lb of spaghetti and 20,000 French rolls. Vegetarians can munch their way through 15,4981b of fresh asparagus, 25,000lb of mushrooms and 17,998lb of tomatoes. Salads will contain 46,560 bunches of spring onions and 30,000lb of radicchio. As a change from spaghetti, 34,000lb of rice will be on the boil. For the sweet course, 23,342 pints of

To make European contestants feel at

strawberries will be tempting contes-tants but 2.656 custard pies are deemed sufficient Aramark will prepare and serve more

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#### **FACILITIES MANAGEMENT** - 35

Rodney Hobson on how privatisation is helping the Royal Navy to use its crews more effectively

# Shipshape with the contract cleaners

hiver me timbers! Landlubbers are swabbing the decks of The Iron Duke, the Royal Navy's super frigate. Care Services, which has been managing facilities at the Devonport Dockyard at Plymouth since 1991, is keeping vessels shipshape

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while they are in port. "Perry" Mason, Care's on-site manager, explains: "Modern technology has meant that numbers of staff on board have diminished. But keeping the vessel clean can be difficult. When a ship's staff go alongside, the first thing they want to do is to put right any technical problems. They do not want to be swabbing the decks.

"At sea, anyone on board may have to help with cleaning, tt is a mundane job but everyone accepts that it has to be done. But when the ship is alongside, the crew can be free to do other essential work. All military personnel are trained to high technical standards and it is a waste to have them cleaning decks all the time."

Care's work includes cleaning

toilets, bathrooms, kitchens, eating and drinking areas, laundry, lobbies and passageways. Responsibility for the entire superstructure includes radar, missiles and gun turrets, lifeboats and funnels. Care's work has included clean-

private ship-repair yards in the ing The Iron Duke, the Type 23 South West. frigate that was in Devonport this Staff often work in cramped month for a week's scrubbing and conditions such as the engine room or conning tower. A specially made folding ladder is the only practical polishing, pairol craft and nuclear submarines. Equipment used ranges from high-pressure jets and high-speed rotating brushes to rags (always conon) for hand-drying way to get into some of those tight corners. Mr Mason says: "The staff are aware of emergency procepolished surfaces. Cleaning liquids dures, such as what to do in a fire. and disinfectants are environmentally friendly. The RN was once the biggest employer in the South West and the

their training and knowledge to get curback in the Armed Services has out." hit the Devon town hard. Mr Mason was in the Navy for 23 years. His real name is Jim. but with his nickname "Perry", he is probably better known in Devon-port than the American lawyer-detective whose name he has adopted. Most of his staff are also ex-RN. Having so many naval people on

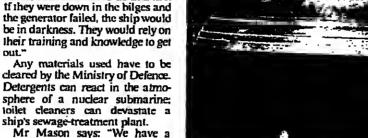
Any materials used have to be cleared by the Ministry of Defence. Detergents can react in the atmosphere of a nuclear submarine;

as Penarth in Glamorgan, where

there is a training squadron, Dart-mouth, and Loch Goyle in Scot-

land. It has also secured work in

toilet cleaners can devastate a ship's sewage-treatment plant. Mr Mason says: "We have a great relationship with the crews. It helps that many of us are ex-Navy."



"Perry" Mason adds a polished finish to HMS Cumberland at the Devonport Dockyard



Shifting desks: clusters of workstations can be arranged around a central space

# Move the desks, not the staff

YOU HAVE heard about "nomad" office workers, staff who use any spare desk or meeting room. Now there is a new concept normad office furniture. The claim is that it will boost corporate creativity.

Bartle Bogle Hegarty, the advertising gency, has just moved from its cellular offices in Soho's Pulteney Street to a new open-plan office in nearby Kingley Street. An essential ingredient in its cultural revolution will be "nomad" meeting tables on castors.

BBH had functioned in the traditional manner of advertising agencies, with separate departments - planning, creative and accounts management - talking only to themselves. Now the company is redesigning the way its staff work and the space in which they do so.

Martin Smith, the managing director, says: "The new layout will enable a switch project-based team working."

Mixed teams of 16 workers, with planners and account managers working together for the first time, will sit at clusters of workstations. Each cluster is arranged around a central space, and in the middle

#### A new approach to workstation layouts

of these magic circles will stand the normad meeting tables at which the entire team will gather for brainstorming sessions. Alternatively, for smaller impromptu meetings,

anyone can grab a bit of the table and wheel it nearer to their workstation: the nomad table is composed of separate sections that fit together. Lesley Kohler, space planning manager

at Total Office Group, masterminded the arrangement. She says that keeping each team together at all times, whether they are working individually or as a group, is more conducive to creative work.

BBH's new furniture is called the TNT system, just launched by the manufacturer Steelcase Strafor. TNT stands for toujours nouveaux trucs (always new tricks). The workstadons consist of a simple leg frame on to which the serpentine worktops - more space-efficient than the conventional rectangle - clip on and off. James Richardson, BBH's administration head, says: You can assemble a workstation in a few minutes, using simple tools."

The TNT system has also been used by the senior retail management of Thomas Cook, who are being decanted to a con-verted warehouse in Peterborough. Here a "themed" design by Business Design Group, with meeting rooms partitioned by canvas-like tents and suspended banners like giant sails, is expected to fire up staff creativity.

Nomadic office furniture has its limits, however. Tables on castors may be useful, but who wants to trundle around large storage cupboards full of files? Bulk storage at BBH and Thomas Cook remains

firmly immobile. In the age of electronic communications companies are busily co-locating selected people. as much to simplify their networking as to make them spark off each other better. It looks as though the physical office will remain, which undoubtedly is cheering news to facility managers.

LAURA BLAIR

# **COMPANY MOVES** Keeping houses in order

BUILDING maintenance work on the Kinson housing estate has been awarded by Bournemouth Borough Council to Haydon Group, part of Johnson Controls. The work will range from mend-ing light switches to structural re-pairs on the 2,500 low-rise dwellings.

Mowlem FM has won the commission to manage the Public Rec-ord Office at Kew, west London, including a new £33 million exten-sion. The buildings incorporate complex mechanical and electrical plant to achieve the stringent storage conditions required to preserve the national archives.

Security tokes o large slice of FM budgets, so it is no surprise that more than 2,000 visitors are olready pre-registered for the Business Security Exhibition ot Islington, north London. in October. Details: 0171 727 7380.

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Brandon Hire, the Bristolbased tool and catering equipment hire company, has paid £21 million for Poole Rentequip to spread its coverage along the South Coast.

Management of the computer system that handles run-off business at Nicholson Leslie, the insurance broker, has outsourced to Datasure.

A five-year, £3 million deal to manage facilities for Mobil, the oil company, ot three buildings has been secured by Procord.

The £21 million design, build, finance and operate contract for the A50/A564 link road between Stoke-on-Trent and Derby bas been awarded to a consortium formed by BICC. Philipp Holzmann and WS Atkins.

Entries are invited for this year's Office of the Year award scheme run by the British Institute of Facilities Management in asso-ciation with The Times. The awards are for purpose-built, exist-ing and small offices in the UK occupied before April 1 this year, and for innovation, FM teamwork and environmental contributions. Details and entry forms from the BIFM Secretariat, 67 High Street, Saffron Walden, Essex CBIO IAA (tel: 01799 508608).

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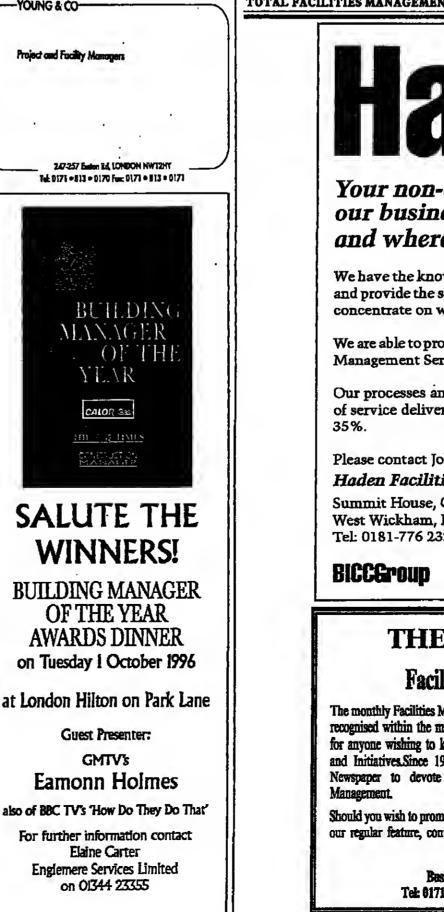
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## **36 HOMES**

# The biggest property developer in the world is creating another tower in New York. Rachel Kelly meets him

# **Donald comes** up trumps again

mentarily lost standing at Claridge's door as passers-by try to guess whose is the famous face.

The whirl of the publicity machine to launch Trump International, his new hotel and tower in New York, has stilled: he's done the press conference, lunched with the FT, and awaits drinks for 300 estate agents and developers in the eve-ning. Suddenly he looks like any other 50-year-old businessman lired from a transatlantic flight.

Then the charm machine whips into action as I introduce myself on the doorstep. I was supposed to have been ushered up to his suite for my 45-minute slot, but heck, he says, let's chat here and now in the holel lobby. He is taller than I expected, at least 6ft 3in. His hair is hairstyle that makes one long to offer a comb.

onald Trump looks mo- June Casino Journal, a Las Vegas Mar-a-Lago, in Palm Beach, Florirag which is running a piece on Trump — "The Emperor of the East" - as its cover story. The point he is stressing is that Trump's Atlantic City casino empire is at last beginning to realise its promise. The Taj Mahal, one of his three Atlantic City casinos, is doing record business, he says. Last year

it made a \$151 million profit. "No casino in history has ever made that much money," he says. The superlatives have begun. He is. he says, the biggest property developer in the world. Period.

Mr Trump has returned. In the early 1990s. The Donald, as he is known, was on the brink of bankruptcy fuelled by collapsing property values and debt. "In early 1990, I had debts of \$8.8 billion," he says. His financial low coincided with a personal one: in 1992 he divorced bitterly from his wife Ivana Zelnicek.

He and his second wife, Marla Marples, have a palatial estate,

da, now also a country club. He married the 32-year-old actress in December 1993. The bride's \$2 million tiara was borrowed from a New York jeweller.

"Now I have a net worth of around \$3 billion, over debts of the same amount. I would say I was under-leveraged at the moment."

But is that a personal net worth? It is the value of his business, he says, but he has near 100 per cent control and ownership of the Trump Organisation. Cashflows from his casinos have enabled him to reorganise or pay off a large part of his debts. The Trump Shuttle airline has been sold, as has a 49 per cent stake in the Plaza Hotel in New York. But the rest of the empire is intact: Trump Tower, the Trump Parc, Trump Palace and Trump Plaza high-rises in New York, plus his Atlantic City casinos. Earlier this year, his casinos

Trump Castle, Plaza and Taj Mahal went public as Trump Hotels & Casino Resorts. The stock traded at \$14 when it was issued in

June 1995 and is now worth \$20. Mr Trump sees New York as his home town - "I feel part of this city" — and was brought up in Brooklyn, the son of a wealthy property developer. "But he built w-rise, moderate-income housing. Of course, I've done some of that too," he is quick to stress. He plans to build 6,000 houses on New York's West Side railroad yards. covering 12 blocks.

newspaper guys. But I'm a real-estate guy. I'm always looking for the next deal." That could be in So how does it feel to have risen, and fallen, and risen again, I ask. another Trump tower, perhaps even a hotel. Then he won't look "I ve gone from the highest plateau to the point where the world was beating me up. Some individuals



#### Mar-a-Lago. Donald Trump's IIS-room mansion in Palm Beach



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THE PUBLICITY men dub it the most luxurious address in the world. Donald Trump's latest development, which he is promoting in London, is the recycling of a 26-year-old former office building on Columbus Circle in New York. It had closed for lack of tenants.

The 52-storey Trump Interna-tional is being modestly described as "the most important new address in the world". Mr Trump, his second wife Marla, their daughter Tiffany and his daughter Ivanka by his first wife Ivana will occupy a penthouse overlooking Central Park.

The bronze. glass-clad building, due to be completed in 1997, bas 166 flats and 168 hotel suites on the first 17 floors, with price tags of \$\$.4 millioo for a fivebedroom penthouse. The archi-90-year-old Philip tect is Johnsoo. The other backers are affiliates of the General Electric Pension Trust who have funded

the scheme. The building is being stripped down to its steel frame and rebuilt. The \$250 million scheme single-handedly revives the image of 1980s excess. There are 9ft-high windows and 10ft-high rooms. There is only one concession to 1990s downsizing: the taps are of brass, not gold.

"NEW YORK is very, very hot as a city right now," says Mr Trump, "Property values are going up very rapidly, and there is little crime. The city now is not even in the top 50 cities in America in terms of crime. The Mayor, Mr Giuliano, has done an incredible job."

Mr Trump has invested little of his own money in the scheme - he refused to reveal how little. But he has leased out his name and his backers are garnering his legendary publicity-gather ing and fundraising skills. The bankers are queueing up again to lend him money.

# For sale: Brocket family seat The 80-room stately home is hoping to find a

A QUICK sale is expected for Brocket Hall, the family seat of the disgraced Lord Brocket situated in Hertfordshire, Rachel Kelly writes. The SO-room stately home, built in the 18th century and known for its golfing and conference facilities, was put up for sale last month for £15 million. In February Brocket was jailed for five years for a £4.5 million insurance fraud. Brocket, 43, pleaded guilty to a fraud involving

buyer quickly

four classic cars from his own collection which he claimed were stolen from his bome in May 1991. The sale of the estate will allow the bulk of the outstanding debt owed by Brocket's businesses to

Midland Bank to be repaid. The Midland Bank backed Brocket's conversion of Brocket Hall into a conference centre and is owed more than £16 million. It is naturally pressing for a speedy saie.

The sale is on a 125-year lease at a peppercorn rent as Brocket is keen that the ownership of the house will eventually revert to his family.

A hotel is the most likely buyer. An American hotel group, Rosewood Hotels & Resorts, is among those hotel companies to have expressed interest. Cliveden, the luxury Berkshire country house hotel and former seat of the Astor family, is another interested party. as is CCA International, the Hong Kong leisure group that owns the London Capital Club.

The house, golf course and 543 acres of land are all for sale. The construction of Brocket Hall was begun in 1760 and completed io 1780 for Sir Penistone Lamb, who later became Lord Melbourne. The house has eight state rooms, including the ballroom, a magnificent staircase and 30 bedroom suites. The period stable block has been converted and now provides an extra 16 bedroom suites.

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try. I will try to get even with them." In part he blames the media

The real estate markets were

collapsing round the world, but the

press reported on me. I became the

poster boy for everything that was

bad." Still, he claims never to have

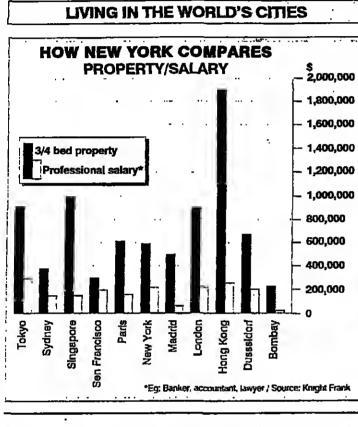
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# Bang the drum, or sound the alarm?

To celebrate this month's National Music Festival we asked readers for their views of British musical life. The response was overwhelming

Here is a selection of your letters

## ORCHESTRAS

COMPARED with our Euro-pean partners, Britain's public investment in its orchestras is shamefully low. The Berlin Philharmonic receives more than all of Britain's orchestras put together. And let us be clear: investment in the true sense is what it is. The financial return to the Exchequer in taxes far exceeds the investment of public money in grants. The UK music industry earned \$1.4 billion in 1993 and paid a total VAT bill of £200 million. It contributes more than £750 million a year to the balance of payments. The Academy of St Martin has even won the Queen's Award for Export Achievement. The traditional concert-hall audience suffered from the effects of a prolonged recession, it is true, but the audience for live orchestral music outside the concert hall has mushroomed over the past decade. Our orchestras are more accessible in the community than they have ever been, regularly working in schools, hospices, factories and prisons, with disabled people. minority groups and many other sectors of society. As a nation we should recognise their contribution, cele-

in their future. Libby MacNamara Director, Associotion of British Orchestras

brate their success, and invest

ON A good day our orchestras can play the pants off the foreign competition. But they only play their best for the great conductors. Superstars create a buzz and that's what sells tickets. Now the good days are fewer and farther between. London is no longer a must for the top maestros. Abroad they can rehearse in

the concert hall and repeat their programme several times. In Britain, four rehearsals can mean four different venues and most concerts are given just once. It's like expecting a painter to work blindfolded, and then to tear up his canvas as soon as he has put it on display.

Hard decisions are required to match the conditions abroad. We need fewer orchestras chasing the same artists, venues, sponsors and funding. John Willan Head of Worldwide Music, BBC

MY CONCERN is the minimal coverage of orchestral music in the provinces in recent years by the "quality" national press. Consideration by your main competitors has descended to the derisory, while that in The Times, though part of a more acceptable classical music coverage, is also negligible. In contrast to their preoccupation with opera, the critics descend on the provincial concert halls, perhaps with the exception of Birmingham's, about as fre-



Concerns about how many opportunities for music-making are offered to children were at the forefront of many readers' minds

quently as ospreys alight on the Norfolk Broads. The financial state of orchestral music is precarious. Most orchestras are grossly underfunded, and all would benefit from the greater visibility offered by the coverage that was considered normal by serious newspapers in ear-

W.E. Marsden

Southport

lier decades. It is not enough to almost invariable inclusion of a modern work in the procelebrate the opening of new halls with "cheers and fangramme. No one wants to listen to them; yet, inexplicafares". We need to know what goes in them subsequently. bly, the practice persists. Potential buyers either have to accept that up to one third of their ticket money will be ONE obvious reason for dewasted - or, even worse, they clining ocket sales is the actually have to listen to the thing, since wherever possible it is scheduled so that you, cannot leave early or arrive

term consequences of the BBC's decision in the early Seventies to segregate all clasquired, and that classical concerts are forbidding. They are also seen as expensive. sical music on Radio 3. Radio

4 is largely a music-free zone. This would not matter so

much if the balance were

redressed once children got to

school. But too many fall into

they see it as elitist, discrimi-

One way of dealing with the present funding crisis, and also addressing the problem of declining audiences, would be a national ticket subsidy scheme, paid for by the lottery. Individuals would be able to register for a nominal fee which would enote them to a number of free or discounted ockets. David Chernaik

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Festival gets through to the BBC and ITV planners the

My next course was to approach the Student Loan Company, but I discovered that they only made loans to postgraduates taking a post-graduate certificate of education. I have since applied to bursaries. charitable trusts, foundations. companies and individuals. Fifty-six letters have not produced one positive result. I am left wondering just how many Rachels there are around, and why music (and dancing and acting) is discriminated against when funding can be found for purely academic subjects. J.J. Osborn-Smith Bognor Regis

## POP VALUES

IT IS several years since the British pop scene has looked this bad. The Sixties and Seventies have been scoured by the Britpop movement, so now the bands are ripping off groups from the early Ninedes. The problem is that many bands don't understand the difference between being influenced and pure plagiarism. Meanwhile. Oasis have spawned a series of bands who succeed only because of the Oasis connection. Their records sell because there are a lot of misguided people who will buy whatever Ncel Gallagher likes at the moment. If a hit song today is not a straightforward cover version, then it is a karaoke session masquerading as a new song. These unintended rip-offs lead to the thought that perhaps every possible combination has been used up, and that we are destined to hear the same songs with slightly different lyrics again and again. Sarah Przybylska Chelmsford

the hands of teachers for whom classical music is an POP may have its problems and the drug issue is one of them. But can anybody tell me alien territory. Or at any rate why pop. which is largely supported by kids with little totally unsubsidised while classical music and opera, enjoyed mostly by wealthier, middle-aged people, should always be tottering from crisis



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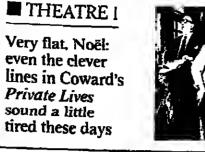
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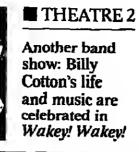
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Brown's verdict on the new films

doctors. But there came a

point when he threw away his pills and, he says, refused to

# THEATRE: Coward's classic shows signs of wear; an evening with a remarkable man; the life of a showbiz trouper

# Too clever by two-thirds

oward's comedy of bad manners is an imperishable work:

we know that, we've all said so for years, indeed decades, ever since 1930. But during Act II there stole over me the nervous suspicion that within the lifetime of actors now at RADA this play may not seem anything like so imperishable. II may, indeed, have perished.

This forecast could be too pessimistic. The opening act is admirably crafted, dovetailing the duologues of the two couples so artfully that what we learn from one complements what we learn from the other, but never

leaves us complaining of repetition. First Elyot and Sibyl, newly married, stroll on to the balcony of their Deauville hotel and all she wants to talk about is his first wife, Amanda. Then it is the turn of Victor and his new wife to appear on the neighbouring

and of course what he wants to talk about is her marriage to

Elyot, The inevilable meeting oc-curs, Amanda and Elyot realise they have never stopped loving each other and race off to Paris together. Victor and Sibyl emerge in search of them and the act rounds itself off with her repeating the lines about a yacht in the harbour with which the act began. In 50 years' time this act could still be popular as a perfect little one-act play.

There is more to be said of the predicament the couples find themselves in, and Cow-

Private Lives Lyric, Hammersmith

sloppably drifting down to earth.

week ponderously working through Jude the Obscure enjoy a bener outing with the Coward. The lack of a fifth performer to play the maid means some lines vanish, and she might have been usefully employed sweeping up the wrecked cushion that Simon Robson's Elyoi handles ioo malevolently. He and Abigail Thaw's Amanda are required

The cast of four seen last

to stride through feathers for the 6 Coward's remainder of their scene, Robson's perpoint formance, is made,

emphasising the little boy, is odd-ly concerned that and made we should all hear him. Thaw's voice swoops like a proud, swift bird, and she develops a good

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gesture of arms balcony. Of falling wearily to course his wife is Amanda, her side, too exhausted to falling wearily to argue further.

Geraldine Alexander and Martin Marquez make a comical Aunt and Uncle Sally, Marquez with his stiff neck and chin tucked in, backing away from Amanda as though her head was encased in

something radioactive. The director, Mike Alfreds, forgets the moonlight, and a divided balcony set by Paul Dart means that Sybil, most improbably, must scramble over the barrier for her cock-tail. Most of the clever lines still sound cleverish, but rather tired around the edges.

JEREMY KINGSTO



Breathing - but seldom as literally as this. Photos of what appear to be long, serrated knives, representing broken nerves or their microbiological destroyers, are projected onto the stage's side-walls. Beside them is a young man who describes what it is like to live, day after day, feeling there are "a thousand pieces of glass piercing the bones, twisting and turning, digging deeper and deeper".

He is Graham Cunnington, who has suffered from rheumatoid arthritis as long as he maloid arthritis as long as he can recall. The monologue Pain, which is performed by him and presented by a Glas-gow company called NVA, lives up to its blunt, bald title in two ways. Troubling sounds and images - lurid whorls, pulsating cells, metallic bangs and grindings, even an upside-down figure spinning in the void - evoke the bewildering names or being experience of being trapped by poked at by not-very-effective

# Insights from a life of agony Pain

pain. Meanwhile, Cunnington tells us his story in the tones, ing disease is the more impressive because he does not of the desperate invalid, but of the dogged survivor. not ask for pity or even much His mother was drowned in the bath while she was preg-nant. His father clearly strugsympathy. He seems to see himself as an explorer, forced gled bringing up two children. one of them seriously disabled and bewildered by his own helplessness. Much of Graham's early life was speni hooked up to machines with

by circumstances along cliff-faces he would rather avoid but rewarded by insights and feelings that have verged on the mystical. He and Pain merit unequivocal respect.

BENEDICT NIGHTINGALE

# **Rich Cotton pickings**

tures Cotton's cockney voice

and charisma, and his guick-

fire rhyming patter with Neil

Boorman's battered vaudevil-

The biographical material is

the basic problem. Cotton may

have had several strings to his

lian is delightfully sparky.

THE bespectacled dance-band leader Billy Cotton, the London lad who made it to the top as a variety-show host on the wireless then the box, has at least one foot in heaven. Cotton (Roy Heather), in this better-than-average musical stage biog, is hallocinating after the stroke he suffered in 1963. His sickbed, from which he keeps trying to struggle back to work defying his nurse (Daniel Coll), is adrift amid clouds in a blue sky.

In a mild haze, Cotton is remembering flashes of his life: with his father who belts him: with his schoolmaster who mocks him as a dunce; with Mabel, his long-suffering

bow — flying, boxing, car racing, football — but there is With a touch of The Singing little to say about his sporting Detective, Cotton's delirium merges friends and family activities. Mabel clearly sus-pects her husband has had

fairly discreet with Cotton's Wakey! Wakey! dirty linen. Richard Cameron's script is Belgrade, Coventry

no great shakes. He draws some threads together, mentioning in passing Billy's son Ted named after his brother who also died young, but there clowns of his show's sketches. The real-life Cotton resentbled a baked bean in glasses. Heather looks more like the ageing Laurence Olivier havis too much sentimentality. Nonetheless. Ma Mark ing another crack at The Entertainer. But he recap-

Babych's direction segues snappily between scenes and avoids tacky glitz. Instead of Cotton's sequined dancing girls we get his mother and Mabel jiving in their aprons. The ensemble are charmingly relaxed, nifty movers breezily harmonising Why Worry? The Dave Bintley Band are tightly drilled. You can tap a toe to the tunes but you might be twiddling your thumbs between times

KATE BASSETT

hinking of his war with pain as the struggle of his capacity for love with a harsh, punishing world. This took the bizarre form of joining a band whose members billed the iron detritus they found on abandoned industrial estates by way of protesting against Thatcherism: but the effect was cathartic and therapeutic. Conventional criticism breaks down at this point. What can I say, except that Cunnington's continuing battle with an elusive, unforgiv-

Royal Court

says it in two further acts Much that he says is unexpect-ed and beautifully phrased, but now repetition does come in, and swiftly, when Amanda and Elyot are rollicking around in her Paris flat. quarrelling, making it up, quarrelling again.

Yes, Coward wants to show us how difficult it is for two people, both alike in flippancy, to cope with those moments when the brittle talk snaps and the insecurity floods forth. But the point is made, and made and made again.

After their other halves reappear, the interlocking duologues echo those in the opening act, but not so engag-ingly. We hear the unmistakable hiss of air escaping from that which was once a marvellous balloon and is now un-

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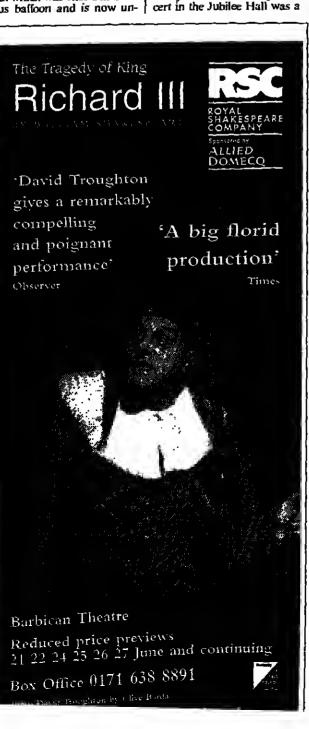
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owever much the Aldeburgh Festival may have changed in the 20 years since Britten's death, it remains above all a composer's festival. A pair of concerts on Saturday featured the music of three very different living composers -- Anthony Payne, who introduced his works, Marc Neikrug, who premiered his Aldeburgh commission, and Hans Werner Henze, who sent apologies for his absence - while a fourth. the festival's artistic director Oliver Knussen, conducted, Payne's 60th Birthday Con-







personal occasion performed by his wife, the soprano Jane Manning, and the ensemble

Jane's Minstrels. It gave him

the chance to present his music in the context of that

which influences him: the

English late-Romantics and

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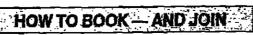
Chanson de nuit and Chan-

tickets (normally £8 to £47) for the 2.30pm matinee performance. Mary Plazas sings Mimi and David Owen is Rodolfo as Pimlott's vision of this romantic masterpiece combines Parisian streetlife with dreamlike recollection. To book, telephone 0171-632 8300. Offer subject to availability of tickets.

Englishness.

Meanwhile, the Almeida Theatre in Islington is welcoming back Experimentum Mundi, the hit of last year's Almeida Opera Season. Giorgio Battistelli's score involves a whole Italian village of craftsmen road pavers, cobblers, smiths and pasta makers whose sounds build up into a wonderful, vibrant performance. Theatre Club members can save £9 on top-priced tickets (normally £16.50) for the opening night, June 24, with a chance to meet members of the cast after the performance. Tel 0171-359 4404.

On July 13, 16 and 19, club members can experience Verdi's La traviata at the Royal Opera House. In Richard Eyre's popular production, an excellent cast is led by the young Greek soprano Elena Kelessidi as Violetta, with the Sicilian tenor Vincenzo la Scola making his debut as Alfredo. Orchestra side stall tickets are £86.25 (normally £115). Tel 0171-304 4000



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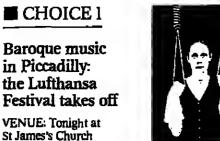
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Katie Mitchell revives The Phoenician VENUE: Tonight at the Barbican Pit



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Christopher Bruce brings his Rambert Dance Company to Birmingham VENUE: Tonight at the Repertory Theatre



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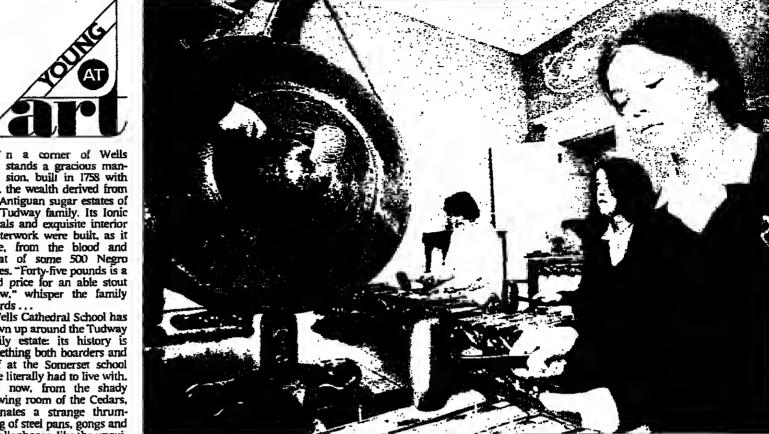
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"From the shady drawing room of the Cedars resonates a strange thrumming of steel pans, gongs and metallophones"

World music is the latest development in the formidable surrounded by chintzy sofas musical history of Wells Cathedral School. The school's Specialist Music Scheme, founded in 1970 in the wake of the Gulbenkian report. Making Musicians, provides specialist training within the curriculum of a conventional of coeducational school. Wells started with 12 young violinists and now boasts flourishing departments in academic and choral work, brass, keyboard, strings and wind. And For the first time, specialists

and non-specialists are meeting and making music together on a totally equal footing. The gamelan is a great levelchanges of speed. ler. Twelve children squat, bare-footed, on the soft carpets In my eagerness to master the of the Cedars's drawing room,

world music,

and parlour palms. Two or three of them are specialists; some have had no previous experience of instrumental music. A minimalist cogwheel of pentatonic melodic sequences is turning from a rack gongs, a cluster of metallophones, and two sets of bonangs - little gongs on what appear to be their own wooden sofas. The larger the instrument, the bigger the note values, and the slower the tune. Within a 16-note cycle, the big gong marks the beginning and the end, smaller gongs mark the sub-sections.

gamelan. The spell is broken. Twelve hammers, wielded by 12 blazered bodies, take up the sequence all over again. The Wells gamelan was made specially for the school in Java last year, and pur-chased by its Friends of Music.

Alison Heath, head of general music and co-ordinator of world music, is thrilled by the way it has enabled general musicians to be involved in their own right, instead of marking their progress in terms of the specialists". The set of West African drums and and the drum indicates the Caribbean steel pans work Suddenly the cogwheel in very much the same way. slips, and the music is broken. Each group of instruments is

But for now the sitar, tambuswaramandel (dulcimer) and dolak (two-ended drum) are used in classroom music, to enable the techniques of composition to be applied within their own vivid soundscape. It works wonders for improvisation, co-ordination and ensemble skills.

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music scheme. But performance at Wells is never an end in itself. The world music department is already offering workshops in local primary schools. A World Music Centre has recently been opened, providing opportunioes for people outside the school to take up weekend and holiday courses. "Our whole, philosophy", says John Baxter, the Head Master, "is to enable " our music to be part of community provision. Increasingly we feel we have a responsibility to put back something of what we very gained."

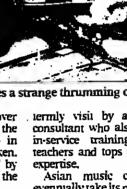
The Wells Cathedral School Chamber Orchestra and World Music Groups are at the Barbican Centre, London EC2 (0171-638 8891), on Monday, 7.30pm

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technique. I have stepped over termly visit by a specialist an instrument - just about the worst thing you can do in consultant who also provides in-service training for the teachers and tops up student expertise. Asian music could well evennially take its place within the school's specialist scheme. ra. harmonium. Indian banjo,

Something of those exotic sounds can be heard in a concert at the Barbican on Monday, which celebrates 25 years of the school's specialist

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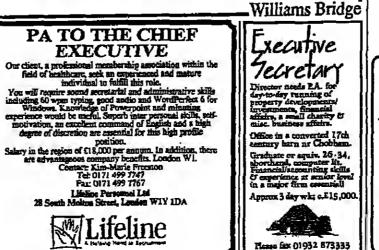
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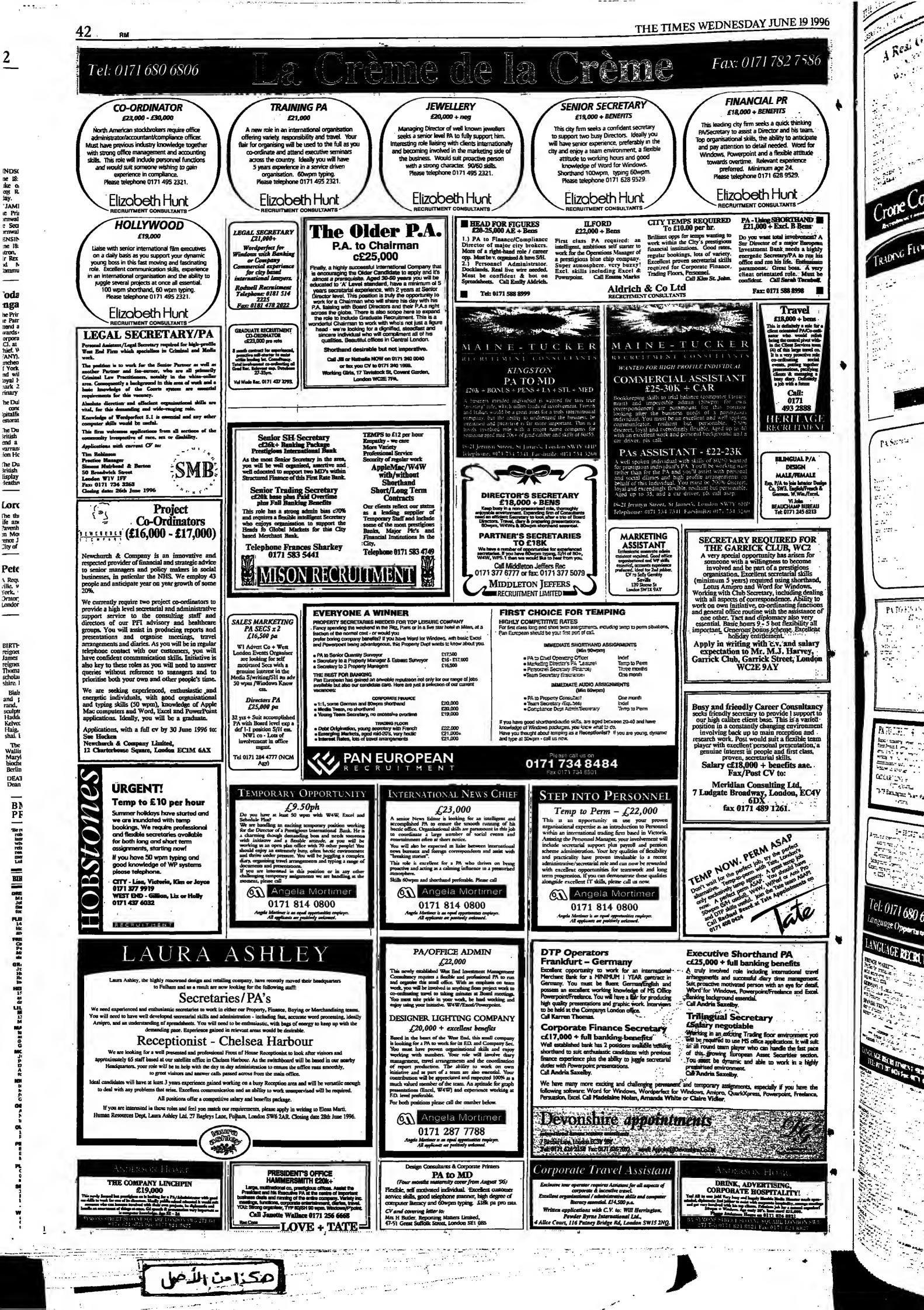
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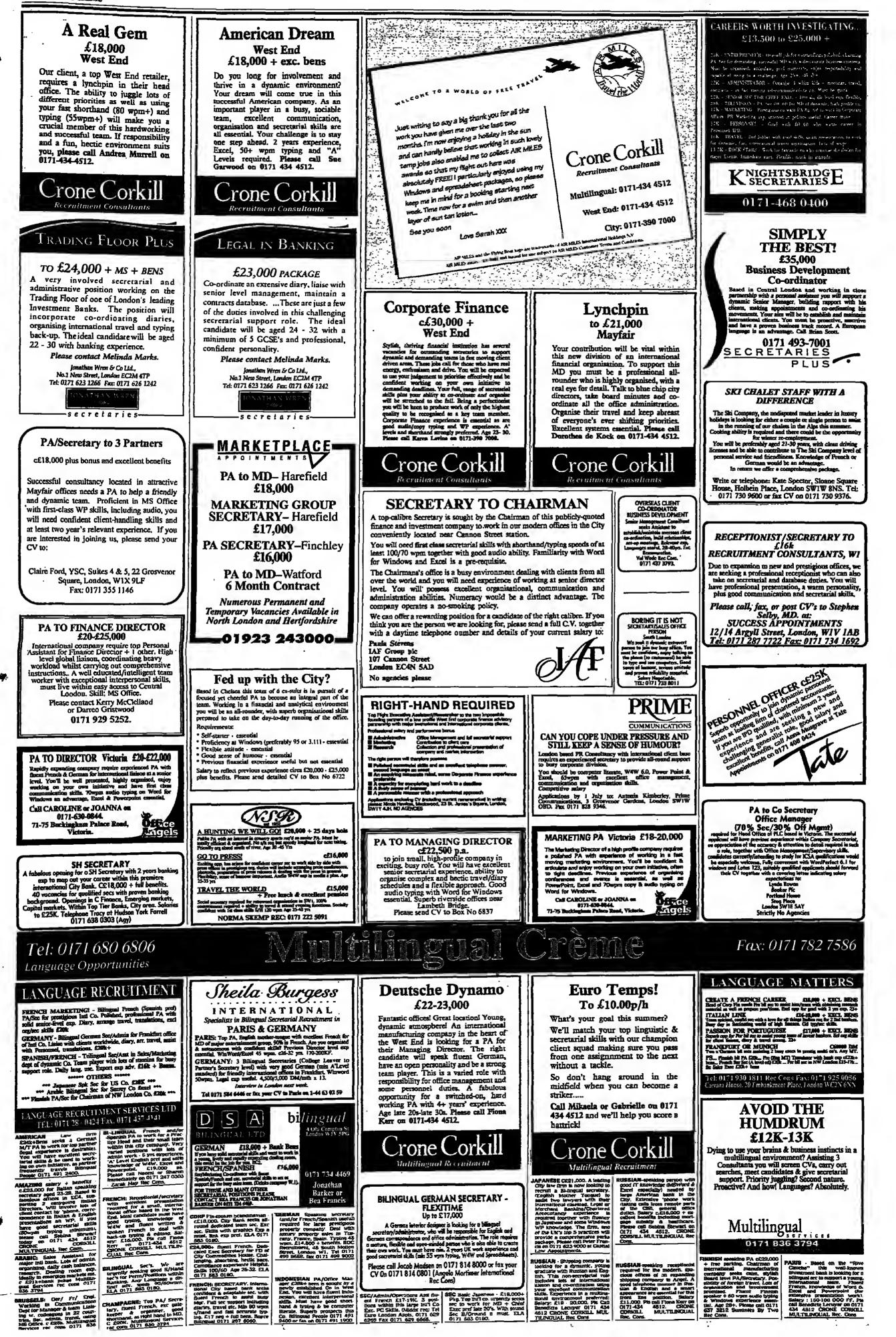
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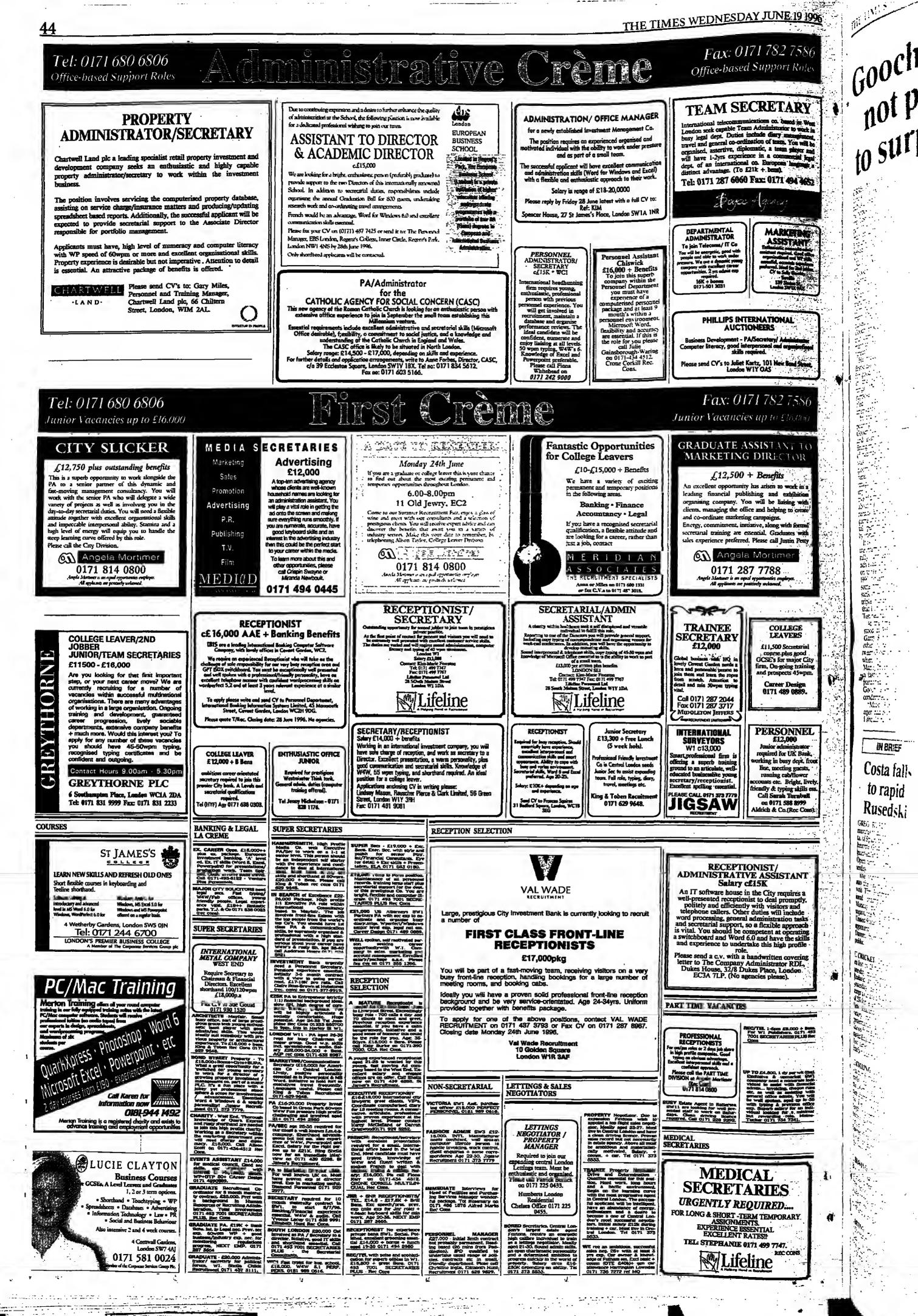
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GRAHAM GOOCH will be at Lord's this morning and, old habits dying hard, he says that he hopes to have a net before the Test starts tomorrow. In part, this is mere routine for a man of almost 43, now an England selector but sull obsessed by playing the game. Yet it is also, Gooch would admit, a spot of nostalgia.

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Gooch, of course, is not playing for England tomorrow, though, with Nick Knight ruled unfit yesterday. there might have been no finer or more appropriate replace-ment. The last time that India played a Test on the ground. Gooch produced the innings that earned him full entitlement to the overused epither, "great".

He made 333, the highest first-class score at Lord's and, for good measure, added 123 in the second in-

nings. "Not bad. 1 suppose," he mumbled lugubriously afterwards. In the art of ap-

pearing mournful, Gooch had few peers and, even in his de-

fining moment, with a stream of records fallen to him, he was a picture of studied gloom. There was an element, here, of playing up to an image that he had begun to enjoy, but it was also indica-tive of a man who worried less about his own figures than the results. England had won the game and even his monumental performance diminished by instant comparison.

It is only now. retired from the international stage, that he fully appreciates what he achieved, and what he did not, on those balmy June days in 1990. "It certainly wasn't until some time afterwards that it sank in - both the rarity of a triple hundred and the fact that I should have broken the Test record," he said.

At the time, pre-Lara, that stood at 365 in the name of Garry Sobers. This, and four other scores, remained be-tween Gooch and immortality when he was bowled by Manoj Prabhakar. driving in a fashion that the rest of us

masterly 333 in the Lord's Test of 1990

iake as long as 1 needed." Gooch said. "That was not my style and I didn't have n in my mind. Looking back now, though. I should have tried to do it. Not too many get that chance in a career." Inevitably, for he is a metic-

ulous man. Gooch has a sharp recall of those days, from his pleasurable surprise when Mohammed Azharuddin won the toss and asked him to bat first, through his one reprieve. a wicketkeeping miss on 36. He remembers where he sat in the dressing-room, where he dozed off over dinner on the first evening, and he remembers that BBC television

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sion to the 300 club, as they had crossed to Royal Ascot. It was this, the achievement of reaching 300, that meant the most to him. "I had made 275 against Kent and should have gone on," he said. "I was determined not to throw it away again. I suppose it is what I will be remembered for and it was very satisfying because, in previous years, had not made the scores I should have done. From that innings on, I became a more complete, reliable player."



Gooch was in the finest form of his life. Two days before the Test, he had made a match-winning 170 against Lancashire. He arrived at Lord's in one of those moods that come rarely, one of impregnability; and, because it was Lord's, this was particularly special.

"My favourite ground. my favourite day of the year." he said. "The first day of any Lord's Test is the best that cricket can offer. No other ground can match its atmosphere and some don't come close. I still remember us turning up for the opening day of a Tes) in Christchurch two years later. and finding the ground shut. We had

> to leap over the gates and get the groundsman to open the place. "At Lord's, especially on the Thurs-

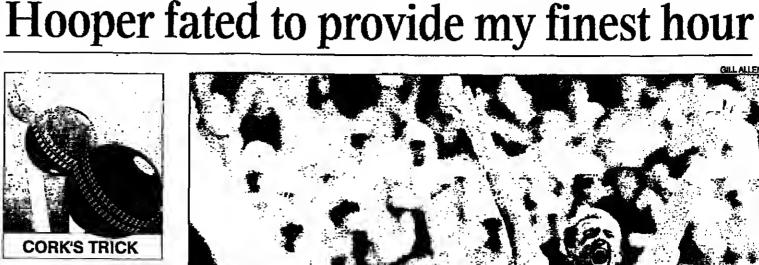
day, there is a buzz from early morning. Essex have no game this week,

so I am looking forward to being there, although I know that I shall have a pang or two and miss the sensation of walking out to bat."

There is a case for saying that he should still be doing so and at least once, since he drew a line under his Test career early last year, Atherton has been tempted to ask him. "Ability-wise, I could still do myself justice," Gooch said, "The mental drain of it would worry me, though. I need a challenge nowadays. Last week, for instance, I turned up

at Chelmsford looking for-ward to batting against Curtly Ambrose. People won't believe it, but I was disappointed when he didn't play."

Gooch may make this his final season, though the decision rests on viable alternatives. He would like to stay with Essex - "but I know there is no job for me" - and, although he relishes his selectorial duties and his considerable part in the develop-



This week, Dominic Cork celebrates a year in Test cricket. Not since the arrival of lan Botham has a player made such an immediate impact for England. On his Test debut, at Lord's, he took 2 match-winning seven wickets and the week before last, at Edgbaston, be passed 50 wickets in just 11 matches. Of all his explosive feats so far, one stands out - that day at Old Trafford last summer when he became the first England player to take a hat-trick in a Test match for 38 years. It is Sunday. July 30, 1995, the fourth day of the fourth Test against West Indies and England, helped by a maiden Test fifty by Cork, are on top. Cork is bowling the first over of the day and with his fourth ball he dismisses Richie Richardson, Then, next ball, Junior Murray, the wicketkeeper, is leg-before. At 161 for five in their second innings, Carl Hooper comes to the wicket to face the bat-trick ball.

was on a hat-trick - in only my third Test. It wasn't going to be easy. Normally, you'd expect one of the lesser West Indian batsmen to follow Junior Murray, who I had just trapped leg-before. No such luck.

It was the injured Carl Hooper, one of the classiest acts in the West Indies batting line-up. His broken finger meant he had been pushed down the order. but his entry could be delayed no longer if he was to have any As he made his way to the wicket, As he made his way to the wicket, though. I realised that perhaps fate was on my side after all. I already had one first-class hat-trick to my name — for Derbyshire against Kent in 1994. Guess who was victim No 3 on that opracing? Carl Honner occasion? Carl Hooper!

Although Hooper is a quality batsman, he does have a tendency to walk across his stumps early on. Athers came over and we had a chat. He put a man in at short extra cover. I asked him: "Do you want me to bounce him or do the same as Murray?" Because we both felt that Hooper doesn't get out of the blocks early on, we decided on the latter course of action. As I walked back. I kept saying to myself: "Come on. Get it in the right place." I've bowled hat-trick balls before. Too often that final delivery has been a half-volley or down the leg side - a



Something to shout about Cork roars out an appeal for the wicket of Hooper that completed his hat-trick

The hat-trick ball was the least of his worries. He was the last recognised batsman they had to support Lara, who was watching all this unfold from the non-striker's end.

It soon became clear that the last thing Hooper wanted to do was play the ball. I did manage to bowl a similar delivery and the ball reverse swung again. Hooper looked as if he was trying to leave it. Then it was too late to do anything when he saw the ball coming in at him.

He was plumb. I knew he was out, but this time I wasn't so sure the umpire would give it. Two leg-befores in two balls? It doesn't happen, does it? Cyril [Mitchley] was going to give this one much more thought. It seemed to take an age before his finger went up.

basically because they had turned to jelly. Judgey [Robin Smith] came over and lifted me up. Athers was there. All the boys were round me.

A hat-trick in Test cricket! I was staggered, not because it was the first time for so many years; I didn't have a clue about when the last one was at the time. I just knew they are extremely rare. Later, I learnt that mine was the 21st, and the first by an England bowler since Peter Loader at Headingley in 1957.

My reaction was totally different to the dismissals of Richie [Richardson] and Junior. I didn't think Cyril was going to raise his finger. When he did, I was gone, absolutely gone, I was drained, completely empty. I could feel my body shaking. I'm not

I was really struggling to hold back the tears as I went to backward point,

I could see Jane [my wife] just to the right of the pavilion. Because there weren't that many people there, I had looked up after getting Richie out and she clapped. She did the same when 1 looked up after Junior had gone. This time I was just shaking my head when I looked her way. I was thinking: "I can't have just done that. Come on. Wake up. Get out of your dream."

The West Indies were eventually bowled out for 314, with Lara bitting 145. Needing 94 to win, England struggled before a six-wicket victory levelled the series again. Dominic Cork was named man of the match

"pardoned as weary, while Gooch, self-critical to the end		ment of Nasser Hussain and Ronnie Irani, he remains best qualified to score runs. His	complete waste, which doesn give you a chance of taking a This time 1 was going to ma	wicket. a split second 1 didn't	know what to I was fortuna	te it was the end of the Ada	pted from Uncorked! Diary of
condemned as "lazy and airy" "Micky Stewart, our man		evocative presence at Lord's this week will remind us of	that Hooper had to play the and play it under extreme pre-	ball - lap of honour? Or le	ap in the air? delivery in me.	As I wandered down to David	et Year by Dominic Cork with Norrie (published this week by d Cohen Books, £15.99).
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ta, of Spain, the No 2 seed, and become Great Britain's lates		RUGBY UNION	6, 8-6, J Ranzandomik (Ger) bill (G Ozalde (La) 6-3, 6-0, J Holmes (Aus) bi A Pavel (Rom) 6-4, 6-4; A Richardson (GB) bi V Santopacte (1) 7-6, 2-4, 11-9, A Kolnov (Macadona) bi H Davids (Hol) 7-6, 6-2 M	Dealer South North-South	game Match-pointed pairs	list. The leading positions are: Garry Kasparov 2,785; Ana-	18         Rie1         Rac8           19         exd5         Bxd4           20         Ra1         Ob2           21         cxd4         Rc3           22         Oa6         Rc83           23         Be5         16           24         Ob7         Bc8           25         Oc6         Ri8           26         d6         bre5           27         d7         Bxd7           28         Bc4+         Kh8           29         Od6         R15           30         Oxd7         R5           31         Oe6         Kg7           32         Oe7+         Kh6           33         Oh4+         Rh5           36         Oe7         R15           37         Bg8         exd4           38         Oh7++         Kg5           37         Bg8         exd4           38         Oh7++         Kg5           39         h4+         Kl6
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The victory put Rusedsk into the second round along	burgh 6, Sen Francisco 1 Fiondel O. Alianta	3 Scotland: Tries: Nicol 2, Stark 3, Cons: Chelmers, Lang. Pens: Long 2, jai Rolorusi	7-6, 6-3, Adams bi Sangunetti 6-2, 1-6, 6- 2, Huei bi Norman 6-7, 7-6, 6-1, Doyle bi	+KQ2 N 707 W	+104 F ▼K 1043	chuk 2.730; Nigel Short 2,695; Michael Adams 2,685; Alexei Shirov 2,685.	27 07 2307 28 Bc4+ Kh8 29 Qd6 Rf5 30 Qxd7 a5
with Tim Henman, the nat- ional champion, who, on	OO VI OS ADDENS	Victoria: Pens: Hendry 3 Wales: Tries.	Parmer of Paceago 5-2, 6-3, Dryon Cr. Outerly 7-6, 6-3, Adams bi Samgunreth 6-2, 1-6, 6- 2, Huai bi Norman 6-7, 7-6, 6-1, Doyle bi Arthurs 4-5, 7-6 rtd, Thome to Betremen 5-7, 6-4, 6-4, Paes bi Blumauar 6-3, 7-6, Zingmen bi Feans 3-6, 7-6, 6-4, Bouteyne bi Sekutov 7-6, 3-6, 6-4, Bouteyne bi Sekutov 7-6, 3-6, 6-4, Thoms to Matevassel 6-3, 6-3	₩ • K 1097 . S	- +AD2	Notable features are the first and second slots occupied by Kasparov	30 0xd7 a5 31 0e6 kg7 32 0e7+ Kh6 33 0h4+ Rh5
Monday, put out Mal Wash- ington, the No 3 seed, from the	CRICKET	Andy Moore, Cormack 3, Gibbs, Proctor, Voyle, Cons: A Thomes 2, Pen: A Thomes (at Melbourne)	bi Sekulov 7-6, 3-6, 6-4, Thoms bi Matevassel 6-3, 6-3 Warnen's singlast First round: A Wain-			and Karpov and the fact that there are now two British grandmasters	32 CH97+ K110 33 Ch4+ Rh5 . 34 Ch6 Rt5
United States. Rusedski's next opponent will be Martin	one-day international: New Zealand 237-7	TENNIS	Women's singles: First round: A Wain- wright (GB) to P Hermada (Sp) 6-3, 3-6, 6-1, K, Radrord (Aus) bi L Ahr (GB) 6-2, 6-0, A Olsza (Pol) bi J Lutrove (Pausi) 6-4, 7-5, E De Lone (US) bi K Cross (GB) 6-1, 6-2; M Scalat Herman bi J Herman (Herman 7-6, 6-1)	¥A6 +B3		in the world's top ten. Nigel Short's new rating is a personal best.	35 Qb4+ Rh5 36 Qe7 Rt5
Damm, from the Czech Re- public.	England 212 (49.3 overs: B Daniels 66, H Plimmer 53) New Zealand won by 25 runs and win series 3-0	ROEHAMPTON: Wimbledon qualitying tournament: Man's singles: First round: W Arthurs: (Art) bi A Hugi (NZ) 7-6 B-4 C	De Lone (US) tri K Cross (GB) 6-1, 6-2; M Saeki (Japan) bi H Inoue (Japan) 7-5, 6-1. E Bond (GP) bi S kaveseterin (Cam) 7-5 6-1.	+ J96 S W	N E	Player of the year	36 Ole7 R15 37 Bg8 exct4 38 Och7+ Kg5 39 h4+ Kl6
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en lost by 25 runs in the final pne-day match against New	Clarke 4-45). Lakeslerstwe 56-3. Ombersley: Worcesterstwe 268-9 dec (J T	7-6, G Blumauer (Austra) bl A Dupus (Fr) 2-8, 6-3, 6-4: A Zingman (Arg) bl N Bruno 21 7-5, 6-4: P Bousawa (Fr) bl P Pennis (N)	2. A Cochereux (Fri bi L Porun (US) 6-3. 6-3. T Snyder (US) bi T Price (SA) 6-3. 6-4. B Borris after (Austral) bi L Demona20 (Fri 6-	Contract: Two Spades doubled, I	y South Lead: Ten of diamonds	has been nominated player of the year by the British Chess Federa- tion ahead of 12-year-old Luke	Diagram of final position
Zealand at Chester-le-Street vesterday, despite a bold at-	Ammanford: Glamorgan 301 (A J Oehon 132 R J Kinley 4:35) v Sussex. Northerrop-	6-3, 6-0, A lie (Aus) to G Grant (US) 3-6, 6 4, 6-2, 1 Baron (US) bi M Lee (GB) 6-4, 5-1, 0 Del Ro (Arg) bi D Cource (Fr) 6-4, 6-7, 6- 6, T Guardiola (Fr) ta J Gimelstop (US) 3-8, 6, 7 Guardiola (Fr) ta J Gimelstop (US) 3-8,	3, 8-2, M Strandbund (Swe) bi M-R Jeon (S Nort 8-2, 6-4, S Drake-Brockman (Aus) bi A	South's Two Spades opening	and now declarer out back to	McShane in second position and Nigel Short third.	
tempt to chase a 50-over target of 237 for seven. The win gives	Fordham 105, T C Wallon 101, T M B Bailey 80), Hampshire 44 0, Old Trafford: York-	6. T Guardiola (Fr) bt J Gimelstob (US) 3-8. 7-6. 6-2. T Champon (Fr) bt A Permar (GB) 6-4. 6-7. L Barthez (Fr) bt C N'Goran (Iv C)	b) Constant (Constant) (Consta	was a Weak Two. I think that West did well to pass East's	and now declarer got back to the main point of the hand. She led a club: West correctly	British success	
New Zealand a 3-0 series victory, but their improved	Sunderland: Durham 330 (R M S Weston 92, J I Longley 56, F A Griffith 5-71).		Remon-Course (sp) 6-0, 6-1; 5 Noorander (Hol) to (D'raccovocove) (Slovakov) 6-1, 6-3, P Langrove (C2) bi M Shaughnassy (US) 6- 2, 4-6, 6-2; A Nemmer (Lux) bi O Barabanschelove (Belo) 6-1, 7-5, O Craham (US) bi P Gespor (Num 6-2, 6-1, C Cretee (Rom) bi S-A Siddai (GE) 6-1, 6-1; V Busson (Fr) bi C Neumen (US) 7-5, 6-0, J Wood (GB) bi M Vento (Vent 6-4, 6-3, F Perieth III) bi C Barclay (Auc) 7-6, 6-2; M Par (Amit Ik Counter C Eade (F1) 6-3, 8-4.	take-out double. If his side	played low so the king scored, and then declarer led a second	Matthew Sadler, the British cham- pion, has scored a fine result in the	5 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
performance, assisted by a fine 66 from Barbara Daniels.	LIGHT I OT & C IS D MORAN 157 T. M	6-2; S Huel (Fr) bi O Salvador (Sp) 6-3, 5-1. G Doyle (Aus) bi T Larkhern (Aus) 7-5, 7-5; T Kempers (Holf) bi T Hano (GB) 5-7, 6-3, 6-2.	Barabanschikova (Belo) 6-1, 7 S. O Graham (USI bi P Gespor (Hunt) 6-2, 6-1, C Cratee	could make only a part-score, then trying for 200 seemed	club from dummy. When East played low on	Ischia international (ournament in Italy, Scores (out of 9) were: Sadler.	
raised England's hopes for the Test series which begins at	(second day of two). Wellington: Shrop-	O Flach (US) bit N Schulder (Ger) 7-0, 0-2. O Flach (US) bit V Goncalves (Por) 6-2, 6-0. B Eliwood (Aus) bit N Behr (Isr) 6-2, 6-4; J	Bussion (Fr) bi C Neumen (US) 7-S. 6-O. J Wood (GB) bi M Vento (Vent 6-4. 6-3. F	right, and, if his side could make a game, he had good	the club. West had to win the	Khalifman, Fracnik 6: Gofshtein 42: Romanishin, Tseitlin,	3 // 第 2 余 //
Scarborough next week.	J Glasson 60, I R Payne 5-531. Metch	6-2: S Huai (F) bit O Salvador (Sp) 6-3, 5-1 G Doyle (Aust) bit T Hand (GB) 5-7, 6-3, 6-2. B Behrens (US) bit R Schurtler (Ger) 7-6, 8-2. O Flech (US) bit R Schurtler (Ger) 7-6, 8-2. D Flech (US) bit R Soncaives (Port) 6-2, 8-0. B Ethycod (Aust) bit N Behr (Ist) 6-2, 6-4; J Parmer (US) bit M Bhupethi (India) 6-3, 6-3, K Evans (US) bit I Therman (In) 4-6, 7-8, 6-4. J Seludov (Aust) bit G Cossec (Rom) 6-3, 2-6.	C Vis (Holl) bi E Habelar (Austrile) 0-6, 6-3,	prospects of getting Two Spades two off. The resulting	nine with the ten. Now the only way that West could	Khenkin 4: Hodgson, Smirin, Godena 32.	
CYCLING: Candido Barb-	drawn Sheniley Park: Buckinghamshire 206 (P J O'Reilly 5-60) and 284-1 (M J Roberts 119 not out, N O Burns 100 not rest. Mathodikum 159 (A R Clerke 5-15)	6-3: S Pender (GB) bi M Washington (US) 6- 3: 6-4: N Kischkowitz (Fi) bi R Svetiik (C2) 6-	6-4, M Drake (Can) bi L Varnazova (San Manno) 6-3, 6-7, 9-7, S Taleja (Croalia) bi N Prati (Aus) 7-5, 6-4; Y Yoshda (Japah) bi S	500 would be better than the non-vulnerable game score.	prevent declarer ruffing her losing club in dummy was to	White Sadler Black: Tseitlin	abcd.efgh
osa, from Portugal, a first-year professional, yesterday won	and 186 Buckinghamshire won by 165 runs Grimsby: Northumberland 212-810 S		Georges (Fr) 7-5, 6-4, L Golarsa (*) bi R McCullan (Aus) 4-8, 6-4, 6-2, 1 Krizan (Sloveka) bi L Garrone (*) 3-6, 6-2, 6-3	The ten of diamonds held the first trick, and West contin-	sacrifice his trump trick. Of course, East should have risen	Ischia, June 1996 Granfeld Defence	The Times Winning Moves 2 contains 240 chess puzzles from
the 100-mile European road race championship at Doug-	Lincoinshire 225-6 (S G Plumb 57) and 242- 9 (P A Rewden 68) Metch drawn. Chellow	2, 6-3, G Mernik (Austi Li R Finder) (Hor) 2, 7-5, P Tranacch (Austi Li R Finder) (Hor) 6-1, 6-4; O Bumeza (Spi th F Gauther (Fri 6-3, 6-4, O Motevasse) (Sri bi J Alejos (Spi 6-3, 5-7, 6-2, A Thoms (Ger) to M Andhoghi (11) 6-3, 2-6, 6-4, S Randjelovic (Austi bi W	EASTBOURNE: Direct Line Insurance championships: First round: MJ Ferran- tor dist in M Wardel al St 6-2 B.0-A	East correctly switched to a	with the queen of clubs on the second club. Then she can	1 d4 N16 2 c4 06	international grandmaster Ray- mond Keene's daily column in The Times, and is available from
las. Isle of Man, by two lengths in a sprint finish from	Sylvester 109 not out, h M Bell 75).		EASTBOURNE: Direct Line Insurance championships: First round: M-J Fernan- der (US) bi M Wardel (US) 6-2 6-0; A Sudyama Lapan) bi N Feber (Bei) 6-1, 6-3, N Amente Indu) bi N Feber (Bei) 6-1, 6-3, N	low tramp, which ran to West's queen. West played a	play her second trump through, and hold declarer to	4 card5 Nord5	bookshops or from BT Batsford
Daniele Contrini, of Italy. Serguei Ivanov, of Russia,	219-3 It Enkland (Nowhurd Berk-	FIXTURES	Arenol (US) bit K Kschwendt (US) 5-3, 5-3, L Reymond (US) bit N Sewamatsu (Japan) 3-6, 6-2, 8-6, I Spirlea (Rom) bit M Pierce (Fr)	third diamond and, after South ruffed, there was an	six tricks for 500.	5 e4 Nxc3 6 bxc3 Bq7 7 Nt3 c5 8 Rb1 0-0	Ltd (tel: 01376 321276) at £6.99 plus postage and packing.
finished third, three seconds	Herefordshire 211 (S R Bevins 54) and 96-2. Herefordshire won by 8 wits. Ransomes Herefordshire won by 8 wits. Ransomes	CRICKET	6-0, 5-7, 6-2, L Davenport (US) bl G Fernandez (US) 6-3, 6-1; L McNeil (US) bl K Date (Japen) 6-4, 2-6, 6-2, N Zvertva (Belo)	intermezzo when she played	bridge Monday to Friday in Sport and in the Weekend	9 Be2 Q65	Raymond Keene writes on chess
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Rowing Association Council yesterday agreed to appoint	(K J Wilcock 5-73) and 18-0. Cornwall 281 18 M Williams 65, G M Thomas 50; A O Greasley 5-77).	BATH: Somerset v Worcestershire BECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP: Final day	NOTTINGHAM OPEN: Man's fournament: First round: T Henman (GB) bt M		<u> </u>		
<ul> <li>three regional development coaches on one-year contracts.</li> </ul>	THE PARKS (50-over match) Hertordshire	of three: Ashbrooke: Durham v Derbyshire. Ammantord: Glamorgan v Sussex Old Traflord: Lancashire v Yorkshwa. Leicester.	Sudyrana Japani bi C Woot (Ge) G-1, 6-3, Y Beskin Indoji bi N Kschwandi (Gei) 6-1, 6-3, Arendi (US) bi N Kschwandi (Gei) 6-1, 6-3, Haymond (US) bi N Sawamatsu (Japan) 3-6, 6-2, 8-8, I Spritea (Finni) bi M Pierce (Fr) 6-0, 5-7, 6-2, L Daverpoot (US) bi G Fernanciez (US) 6-4, 6-1, 10-Net (US) bi K Dare (Japen) 6-4, 2-6, 6-2, N Zvertva (Beld) bi A Mitler (US) 6-1, 7-6, M McGrath (US) bi K A Frazter (US) 6-4, 6-2, N Taucat (Fr) bi L Wild (US) 6-1, 6-2, N Arendi (US) bi K Nachwendi (Ger) 6-1, 8-3, L Raymond (US) bi N Sawamatzu (Japan) 3-6, 6-2, 8-6, 1 Gorrochetagu (Arg) bi S Ferna (II) 6-2, 6-3 NOTTINGHAM (OPEN: Men's tournament: First nound: T Herman (GE) bi M Washington (US) 6-3, 7-5, S Stolfe (Aus) bi J Sapstord (GB) 6-3, 6-4, M Datom (Cs) bi J Witarson (GB) 7-5, 7-5, M Peothery (GB) bi J Witarson (GB) 7-5, 7-5, M Peothery (GB) bi J N Perene (Ven) 6-2, 8-1; J Stemartik (Hol) bi A Othowsky (Russ) 6-3, 6-3, A Correla (Sp) bi I K kucera (Storaka) 6-4, M Nizowics (Bah) bi K kucera (Storaka) 6-4, M Nizowics (Bah) bi K kucera (Storaka) 6-5, 7-7, S, T Woodbindge (Aus) bi J Catterin (Cs) to C man (Fr), 6-4; S Matsucka (Japan) bi S eman (Fr), 6-4; S Matsucka (Japan) bi S eman (Fr), 6-4; S Matsucka (Japan) bi S eman (Fr), 6-4; S Matsucka (Japan) bi S	By Philip	Howard	By Raymond Keene	
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	CYCLING	of threat The Ovat Surrey v Gloucester- shire.	Sp) bi R koeng (SA) 6-3, 6-4, M knowles (Bah) bi K kucara (Slovaka) 6-4, 7-6, P	a. The robin b. A visionary	b. A Harrovian cricket cry	Nunn, Monaco. 1995. White could capture the black rook	
G DIVING: Leon Taylor. IS. of Cheltenham, has been se-	TOUR OF SWITZERLAND: Eighth stage (Grindenwald to Frauenfeld, 232 (stomatres) 1, Udo Bohs (Ger) Str 11min 03sec; 2, JUnch (Ger) at 2sec; 3, V Extrovo (Russ), 4, A Eli (II), 5, Amstrong (US), 6, B Holm (Den) al same irme Overailt 1. P Lutenberger (Austrial 96tr 11min 465ec; 2, G Faresa (It) al 1mh 36sec; 3, G Bugno (It) 4 2102; 4, R Forcon (It) at 213; 5, A Eli (It) 4 2102; 4, R Forcon (It) at 213; 5, A Eli (It) 4	OTHER SPORT	Raher (Aus) bi J Stollenberg (Aus) 6-2, 6-1. C Woodruh (US) bi N Lapersti (Ecu) 7-5, 7- S. T Woodbidde (Aus) bi K Cartsen (Den)	c. Pericles	c. The sow-bean JEDDART JUSTICE	on e8, but he found something	
lected as a member of the Great Britain diving squad for	kilomatres) 1. Udo Bolts (Ger) 5hr 11min 03sec; 2. J Ulnch (Ger) at 2sec; 3. V Exmov 03sec; 4. A Elli (ff), S. L Amstrong (US), 6. B	CROQUET: MacRobertson Stueid (at Un- versity Bouleverd, Beeston, Notringhern) CYCLING: Isle of Man Internetional week.	2-6. 6-0, 6-1, G Rusedelvi (GB) tv A Coste (Sp) 6-1, 6-4; S Matsuoka Mapani bi S Sman (Fr) 6-4, 7-6 V Spadea (US) bi M	STANG	a. The Border Sheriff b. Bad luck	much better. What did he play?	
the Olympic Games, joining Tony Ali, Robert Morgan.	Holm (Den) all same time Overalt. 1. P Holm (Den) all same time Overalt. 1. P Luttenberger (Austria) 36hr 11min 40sec. 2.	TENNIS: Notingham Open (Notingham), women's Direct Line Insurance chempion- ships (Eastbourne); Wimbledon qualifying	Woodforde (Auc) 6-2, 7-6 HALLE- Men's tournament: First round: H	a. Envy b. Brewers' scum	c. Hang first, try later		
Havley Allen and Lesley	G Faresin (II) al 1mm 36sec. 3, 5 ouguto (IV) al 202. 4, R Forconn (II) al 2 13, 5, A Elli (A) al 202. 5, 6 Berrin (Buss) al 3 49	(Rochampton): Huringham seniors' championship (Huringham).	Dreekmann (Ger) bit R Furlan (Iti 6-3, 6-2, J Hiasek (Switzi bi S Schahen (Holi) 6-4, 7-6	c. A punishment pole	Answers on page 50	Solution on page 50	

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# Fashion tips favourite among the Ascot clothes horses

They work to different criteria, those longlegged, mid-skirted, designer-hatted, kid-gloved women in swirls of silk, muslin and taffeta, from whose pastel-coloured faces comes undemanding conversation, the purpose of which is to appear involved while projecting their good side to passing cameramen. Here is a preview of Oxfam's 1998 collection.

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This is the start of the season: the first day of Royal Ascot. Tell them that you have positive information of the well-being of Wall Street in the St James's Palace Stakes and they look at you in bewilderment. The fact that there is racing is accepted but not critical to the day's entertainment.

Clothes matter; companions are important: as is to whom you talk and who sees you talking to them. Designers matter: Thomasz Starzewski is the most glittering of these, therefore matters most. Hats, if at all possible, should be by Philip Treacey or Graham Smith — this season's "in" milliners according to the social editor of Harpers & Queen, the "in" social editor. There are two Cherry Blos-

som shoe cleaners, one male the other female, so that a woman may have a shine without the fear of a member of the opposite sex glancing up her thigh; something not quite right about shoe cleaners at a



party such as this. Darnn it, we shone our shoes before we left home and gave them an extra polish on the backs of our trousers waiting to enter the golden gates guarded by bowier-hatted attendants. Is it

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imagination or have their

when you must be at your best, but on Thursday the competition is seriously fierce. so one or two of them have gone for it today. You can please some of the photographers some of the time. Women shimmy out of the enclosure (no cameras allowed inside) to provide photo opportunities on the way to the paddock and back. Ideally, companions should be unobtrusively morning-suited and be recognised ... but not famous, else the companion might hog the picture.

The place radiates perfection: the lawns are as smooth and as green as a snooker table; the salmon is fresh, the champagne cold, the sandwiches generously filled; and this year they expect a quarter of a million racegoers. 1 am proud to be four of them, for 1 go each day. Most of us will lose our money and run up substantial dry-cleaning bills and be forced to have our top hats re-brushed ... and consider it all a small price to pay. Her Majesty and the three horse-drawn coaches contain-ing her family and friends reach the mile post soon after 2pm and you can bear the oohaaahhh as racegoers see first Her Majesty and then the Queen Mother.

A hairdresser, here to keep is eye on a couple of his notepad. Not me.

clients, tells me that the A colleague offers me 25-1 when England are playing against the second coach over-Holland at Wembley before taking the one in the lead. I we can get home to our



Would you call that magenta? Photographers snap up a sample of Ascot colour

television sets," were forced to swallow their words. The racecourse had looked about only half full yet, when the horses appeared, the terraces were a dense forest of black and grey toppers rising like fungi from the ocean of millinery.

Favourites tend not to win at Royal Ascot. Last year in Nicolone took the first race at 16-1 and here in the 2.30 was Charnwood Forest at odds-on. We looked for something to beat it. we who knew a thing or two. Charnwood Forest

won. As it was going to be one of those days, we backed the next favourite, found there were joint favourites, backed them both. Neither finished in the first three. Nodoby looked sad or dejected, the way they do when they lose at real race meetings.

Time for a glass of champagne; time for a plate of lobster. "What do you mean can we afford it?" asked a woman in a hat that made it impossible for her to see, never mind eat, a crustacean. "You've just lost Olivia's dress allowance for the year."

In the building that houses private boxes, 260 of them. each bulging with festive hu-manity. there is a Tote Hall. The better dressed the punter, the smaller seems to be the bet. Between races is the time for moving around: winner's enclosure to paddock to seafood har to a call on friends in the car park who have hired a Swedish caterer to prepare open sandwiches served from the boot. The day is warm, but not unbearably so; men's stiff collars are becoming limp, women glow becomingly, an outsider wins the third race and another takes the fourth. As Ratty nearly said:

"Believe me ... there is nothing, absolutely nothing, half so much worth doing as messing about in Ascot." Today I shall go back and put my money on Donna Viola in the Hunt Cup; you would be foolish to take my advice.

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ON THE 181st anniversary of the Battle of Waterloo, the French arrived at Royal Ascot yesterday convinced they could gain some belated revenge on the English in what had been billed as the race of the season - only to receive their comeuppance from the tartan of Scotland.

Bijou D'Inde, carrying the checked silks of Stuart Morrison, a Glasgow lawyer and occasional bookmaker, and trained by his fellow country-man, Mark Johnston, looked a beaten horse as he surrendered the lead near the furlong pole in the St James's Palace Stakes to Ashkalani, the unbeaten French 2,000 Guineas winner and well-backed 13-8 favourite. However, the Scots

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Nap: MORE SILVER (3.05 Royal Ascol) Next best: Dance So Suite (5.30 Royal Ascot)

are renowned for their toughness but, as favourite backers prepared to celebrate, Bijou D'Inde dug deep to force his nose back in front within the shadow of the winning post. Johnston, sporting a waistcoat made from the green and yellow tartan which his family has worn for generations, said: "The French horses may be trained for speed but they are not trained to battle -- and that's what our fellow did. He stuck on all the way." In a race which attracted the

winners of the English, Irish and French 2,000 Guineas for the first time since 1987, Bijou D'Inde's heroic victory was not just a fillip for Scotland; just as important, it showed the small owner can successfully slug it out with the mighty Maktoums and the Aga Khan.

Morrison has owned bits and pieces of various horses for 20 years but the start of the real beginning as an owner

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating:

2.30 Ramooz 3.05 More Silver

3.45 Shake The Yoke



Bijou D'Inde (left) overhauls Ashkalani in a tremendous duel for the St James's Palace Stakes at Royal Ascot yesterday

came six years ago when he had his first horse with Johnston. "To be blunt, I chose him because he is a fellow Scot." "I sold my interest in another business and for the first time I had some capital. My wife was not keen for me to have a horse but we came to a deal. I bought a horse and she got a conservatory." The horse in question, then a top-class horse."

aged two, was Quick Ransom. who developed into an admirably game and talented handicapper, winning the Ebor among other races, and

4.20 DONNA VIOLA (nap)

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**ROYALASCOT** 

5.30 Burning

THUNDERER

3.05 QUEEN MARY STAKES

(Group III: 2-Y-O fitties: £25,950; 51) (14 runners)

six figures worth of prizebe multiples of that sum and it money - before being sold for a handsome profit to an will be no surprise if the Maktounts attempt to buy him Australian owner who wanted in due course. The Morrison a runner in the Melbourne string, at present four in strength, looks set to expand and Christine, his wife, may "I kept buying other horses with the prize-money and sent be able to ask for more than a them to Mark to train and we conservatory.

The outcome of the day's have gone from strength to strength. It shows a small feature race may have form pundits scratching their heads man, if he perseveres, can get as Bijou D'Inde compre-Bijou D'Inde cost 20,000 hensively reversed the Irish guineas but given his breeding and English 2,000 Guineas - by Cadeaux Genereux - his form. However, the reasons value as a stallion is likely to are not hard to find,

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But for losing his action running down in the Dip at Newmarket, Bijou D'Inde might well have beaten Mark Of Esteem, while at the Curragh the ground was far too soft and he suffered from an interrupted preparation. Yesterday, with fast ground in his favour, he set the record

4.20 ROYAL HUNT CUP (Handicap: £55,585: 1m) (32)

straight Charnwood Forest also showed his tall home reputation was more than justified by converting potential into form of the higest order when he ran out the easiest winner

of the Queen Anne Stakes for years. The lightly-raced fouryear-old cruised up alongside Mistle Cat, the long-time lead-er and, despite drifting to his right, soon pulled four lengths clear of his toiling rivals. The Godolphin horse is

entered in all the top mile races as he sets out to become the season's champion miler. However, as the French discovered yesterday, the Scots may have something to say about such lofty ambitions. Fashion focus. page 3

THE famous Moller livery was swept into the winner's enclosure at Royal Ascot for the third time in four years yesterday when First Island swamped Montjoy for finishing speed in the Prince Of Wales's Stakes. It made another unlikely instalment to a fantasy destined to run for years to come.

Amidst the deluge of petrodollars annually staked on the choicest bloodstock, this is a story of unbroken success with a limited budget. Little could Budgie Moller have realised what he started in 1989, when, on his death, he made limited provision for the purchase of horses to race in his chocolate and brown silks.

Budgie and his brother, Eric. had long been the mainstays of the Wragg family's Newmarket stable but their influence did not end with their fives. Although their White Lodge Stud was sold in its entirety, Geoffrey Wragg was to train the purchases in recognition of his achievements. Wragg's recruitment of John Ferguson, a Newmarket-based bloodstock agent, to manage the show in 1991 has proved a wise move.

Five years later, even on a vastly reduced scale, Mollers Racing remains the most influential patron at Abington Place. First Island's Royal Ascot triumph followed those gained by Nicolotte and Pentire last year and Petardia four years Yet First Island was effect-

ively Mollers Racing's second string, for Pentire, the stable jewel, has been held in reserve for the summer championship races. Ferguson neatly encapsulated the

fairytale when he said: "There must be a certain amount of divine inspiration involved because I just don't know where we get the luck from."

Luck, to be sure, is the



JULIAN

at Royal Ascot

smallest denominator within this remarkable equation. Trustees of Mollers Racing have never revealed the extent of the brothers' larsse but a healthy profit on the account should ensure that the Moller silks ---carried by Teenoso to win the Derby in 1983, which marked Wragg's first year as a trainer — should grace British racecourses well into the next century.

won in exciting fashion by Verglas. The grey colt is trained in Ireland by Kevin Prendergast, whose father, Paddy, won this event six times in a 16-year period from 1953. This was one that got away for Sheikh Moammed, who established Godolphin Management Co Ltd, breeders of Verglas, as a

precursor to the Godolphin stable. The breeding venture was intended to produce preco-

cious juveniles for racing in Dubai but was disbanded when the sheikh preferred to train a better quality of horses. Prendergast was able to purchase Verglas for 26.000 guineas and believes he could be a Guineas horse.

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good over Epsom's fast seven furlongs last time after failing to stay ten furlongs on his penultimate start. He holds Almushtarak and had Ali-Royal back in third when winning at Thirsk last month.



an easy surface at the Curragh last time and is capable of better

places the unfortunate Domi-3.05: More Silver will take all nique Boeuf aboard Shake the beating in this test of The Yuke, who was sent off an speed. She hails from Paul odds-on favourite at Long-Cole's stable, which houses an champ. She is fancied to abundance of two-vear-old talretrieve the three-quarters of a ent, and she could not have length by which Ta Rib been more impressive on her Newbury debut. Dance Paprevailed. rade, from the same yard as advantage this time. is lightly the selection, has impressed in her two victories but is not raced and therefore capable of considered on a par with her

further improvement. She represents a more formidable stablemate. Moonshine Girl looks a bigger threat. She upponent than Dance Design. should improve from her nar-Dermot Weld's runner chased row defeat of Dancing Drop. hume Matiya in the Irish 1,000 Lycility and Connemara Guineas (Priory Belle held)

4.20: Apart from Chickawicka, there are no obvious front Pouliches defeat by Ta Rib, who had the run of a rough runners but the pace looks race. Olivier Peslier now relikely to come from horses drawn towards the stands' side. Donna Viola wins more than her fair share of races and appeared to show improved form when landing a fast-run listed race at Epsom 12 days ago. Chris Wall has his horses in fine fettle and this strongly-run race over a Ta Rib, who has home stiff mile should be ideal.

Yeast won the Victoria Cup here in impressive style and ran equally well in defeat at Lingfield nine days later. Having raced only six times. William Haggas's runner has scope fur further improvement but finished behind the selec- and looks a worthy favourite. may be Cecil's other runner.

the best of last season's form. ket handicap success in May

has worked out well with the 4.55: Henry Cecil has won this two placed horses both winrace four times in the past ning subsequently, while Hendecade and looks to have an ry Candy's runner did particularly well tu win a ideal candidate in Sherpas to maintain his excellent record. Winner of his only start at falsely-run race at Doncaster 25 days ago, She should go close but Newmarket in April when beating Sasuru, an impressive winner at York on Saturday. he should stay and may have

preference is for Dance So Suite, who won with something in hand over the Derby too much speed for his rivals. Lallans, an out-and-out distance at Epsom. The runstayer, is arguably the form ner-up has boosted the form choice, judged on his second to by winning in a canter at York Derby runner-up. Dushyand this progressive gelding can complete a memorable antor, at Newmarket, but he could be found wanting in the day for Cole. finish. The biggest danger

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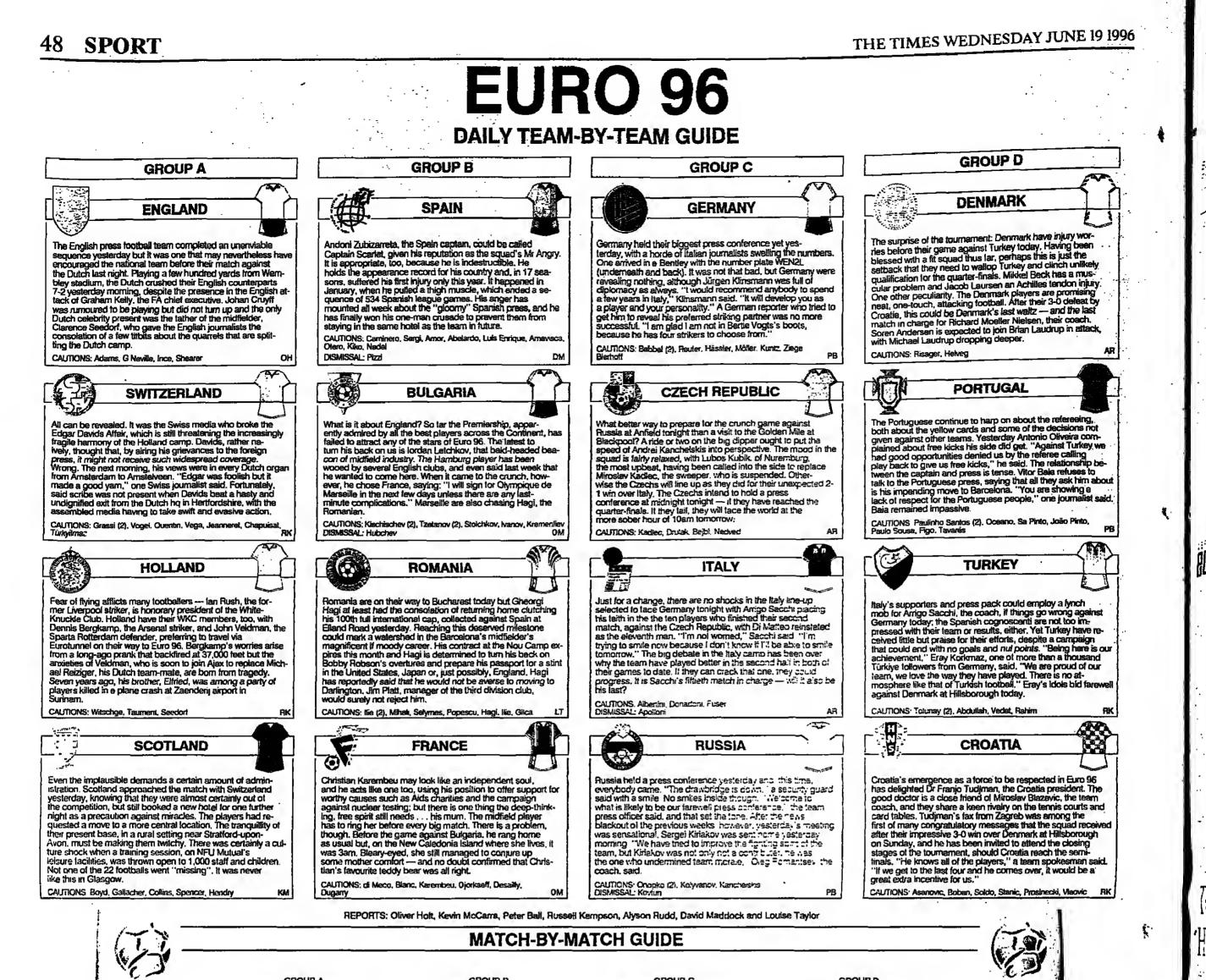
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## SPORT 49

# FOOTBALL: BULGARIAN ACCUSED OF RACIST TAUNTS AS EAST EUROPEAN CHALLENGERS ARE ELIMINATED FROM GROUP B

# **Impressive France settle old score**

Bulgaria France BY DAVID MADDOCK

FRANCE progressed smoothly into the quarter-finals of the European championship with an ultimately comfortable victory over Bulgaria at St James' Park, Newcastle, yesterday. In doing so, they propelled their opponents out of the competition, and perhaps inwards oblivion.

The Bulgarians had atways considered this the last tournament for an ageing side. Now they have the necessary evidence that rebuilding must be undertaken before World Cup qualifying begins.

The bitter rivalry between the sides was evident from the post-match comments. Desailly. France's marvellous



centre back, said: "I take nothing from my banle with Stoichkov, I did not appreciate racist comments he made to me and the other Africans in the French team, I no longer consider him a great player. What he said demeans him." Stoichkovreplied: "I dun't care what Desailly said. It is normal fracial abuse], it happens all over the pitch. What is said on the pitch is ignored when you walk off it."

France controlled the match after shaking off a nervuus lethargy in the opening min-utes. They have a midfield and forward line so fluid that it could drown any team in the tournament.

For Bulgaria, Stoichkov was again outstanding, but even his incredible range of talents could not plug the gap where their hopes drained through . . Bt the heart of the defence.

Bulgaria are out of the compe-

Fisto Stoichkov, the high skills and high tempers Bulgaria forward, that always webbled on the

Bulgaria forward, that always wobbled on the

second, winning goal, and because they cannot defend corners or free kicks. Laurent Blane proved their nemesis. He scored one goal from a corner and created so much panic that Bulgaria conceded an uwn goal in a match which was not for the faint-hearted. Adding a very reat edge to the contest were memories of November 1993. when a Bulgaria goal in the final seconds condemned France to a defeat that cost a place in the World Cup finals

tition because Spain secured a

and a period of painful introspection. Remarkably. Bulgaria field-ed ion of the 11 who started that match, which was enough to raise the blood pressure by a degree or two. Thankfully the the two English referees kept a sensible grip. There were two because Pant Durkin replaced Dermoi Gallagher after the latter retired before half-time with a leg injury. The ugliest of confrontations came, predictably, be-tween Stoichkov and Desailly, who was booked early on for hauling Stoichkov down on the edge of the box. It could have been a red card and it should have been for the Bulgarian who, in the opening minutes, demonstrated the fult range of his colourful character. First he was begging the referee to send off Desailly; then he stamped on Lama before an audacious free kick produced a fine save from the abused goalkeeper. Stoichkov got a similar opportunity from a similar distance after 67 minutes and this time the ball curved in a perfect are to the top right corner of the net. He made it look so simple, it was heautiful ... but, by then, Bulgaria were

two down. France, after being hard pressed in the opening 20 minutes, took a deep breath. thanked their lucky stars, and gratefully took the lead. It was a simple goal, too, Djorkaeff

delivering a floating corner to the head of the unmarked Blanc, who converted with ease. France were allowed domi-

nance in midfield by the strange decision of Dimitar strange decision of Dimitar and later saved from Penev, the Bulgaria coach. to Djorkaeff and Zidane, but he



Kremenliev, of Bulgaria, becomes airborne in his pursuit of Lizarazu during the match at Newcastle yesterday

could do nothing in the 62nd minute when his defence was switch the influential Balakov to the left from his favoured central position. Myhailov, again undone by a cross from the goalkeeper who was Djorkaeff. This time it was missed by Blanc, but the ball breaking his country's appearance record with his 97th cap. skimmed into the net off the head of the unfortunate Penev. denied Dugarry with a quite outrageous save after the for-Stoichkov's response reward had chipped intelligently opened prospects of the 2-2 draw that would have seen both teams through, but may-

be a third game in a week was just 100 much for ageing legs. As if to rub it in. France secured another goal on the final whistle, Loko rounding Mihailov after being put through by Karembeu. FRANCE (4-3-2:1). B Lama Pans Sent-Germani - L Thuran (Monaco). L Blanc (Anzene). M Desailly (AC Miten). B Izzarzu: (Bordeaus) - C Karembeu (Sampotoral, O Deschamps (Arventus). V Gueria Pans Sain Carrain) - Z Zidano

Son't-Germain. 67) BULISARIA (4-4-2) B Myhailov (Roading) — E Kremeniev (Olympialos), T Nanov (Rapd Vienus), P Hubehev (SV Hamburg), T Tzvetenov (Walching Vistoria), T Tzvetenov (Walching), I Joedanov (Sort-ing Laborny Z lankov (Hardingen; sub O Borimirov, Munich 1860, 77), K Balakov (VB Stuttgar, sub O Donkov, CSA Solia, 77) — L Penev Jakelico Macindi, H Stolchkov (Parma).

Bordeauc, sub; R Pedros, Nanios, 61min), V Djorkaed (Pans Saint-Germein) — C Jugiarry (Bordeaux, sub; P Loko, Paris ionit Germain, 67) Mit canut

# Spain squeeze through with a little help from referee

Romania ..... Spain ......2 BY PETER BALL

SPAIN are making a habit of leaving it late. On Saturday they equalised against France with five minutes to spare. vesterday there were seven minutes remaining when Amor's header earned the victory which takes them to a quarter-final at Wembley on Saturday as Group B runners-

By the end they just about deserved that success, after attacking with mounting conviction as the second half wore on; but they still needed a stroke of luck to claim the decisive goal.

Prodan, the aggressive Romania defender, was lying injured in the penalty area, playing Sergi onside to make a telling cross. Once he had done so, the Romania defence was split as the two subsolutes combined, Alfonso rising to head the ball back and Amor bending to leave Prunea help-

Anghel Iordanescu, the Romania coach, has already had his say about refereeing in this tournament, and that will add further to his complaints. Another referee might easily have blown for play to stop before Sergi received the ball. However, if lordanescu believes that his learn are going home because of goalkeeping and refereeing blunders, as he

has said, he is mistaken. They are going home because yesterday, as in their other group matches, they did not score goals. They missed enough chances in the opening quarter to have left Spain facing an almost impossible task if they wanted to reach Wembley.

If Spain had their moments of fortune, though, they will be a test when they get to London. Spanish defences are always hard, and this one is no

exception, but the lough little Sergi, Nadal and Hierro give them fluency as well as ag-gression in midfield.

half, two periods of majesoc foolball. It is no good having day, if not the tournament, for most players. Sloichkov is not In the end they were too

some pride by going home

with a win. Instead, they have

lost all three games, and that

is not just down to luck. With the aptly named Stinga and Raducioiu begin-

ning dangerously, they could

have taken an early lead, but

the poor finishing which has

bedevilled them soon sur-

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Kiko, whose sheer physical

presence caused Romania con-

stant problems for an hour.

blazed over the bar.

Jittery Portugal have point to make

BY RUSSELL KEMPSON

found Amavisca. His shot hit his colleague, Pizzi, in the back and fell nlcely into the path of Manjarin, who side-footed it beyond Prunea.

That gave Spain the start that they were looking for, but Romania held on and, on the half hour, they claimed an excellent equaliser. Great skill by Stinga put in Raducioiu to run in and shoot below Zubizarreta, the ball clipping the goalkeeper's elbow on its way into the net.

From then until half-time, Romania had the better of the exchanges, even though Hagi was a muted figure. Yet Romania failed to recapaur-first first first first

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ture their earlier conviction when they returned for the second half and, increasingly, Spain kept up a constant barrage of the Romania goal



as news that France were beating Bulgaria arrived to offer them hope of progress. For a time it looked as if missed chances were going to deny them.

Prunea made a fine save from Manjarin and another excellent one at close range from Amavisca, who accepted Alfonso's pass to turn past Popescu only to be denied by e goalkeeper.

Soon an even better chance arrived as Kiko pul in Amor, who drew the goalkeeper and then slipped the ball across goal for Hierro, but Petrescu spread himself to block the

durable for Romania, v er, at arrive with his body. the start, the World Cup Finally, as time was runquarter-finalists looked as if ning out, the goal came that they would at least salvage sent Spain through.

Ampr: late winner

L star and latisman, said before this match that Bulgaria would not win the European championship because they would not be allowed, fantasising a Europe-wide conspiracy of footballing officials against small nations. Bulgaria were not, indeed, allowed to progress any further: they crashed out because of the internal tensions of the team and their troubled and troublesome striker.

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There were suggestions that charge and tripped him as he headed in on goal. In the FA their match against France would be a comfortable draw Carling Premiership, that might well have been a red that would allow both teams card. As it was, the yellow was to go through. If there had merely a signal that battle had been joined. indeed been a non-aggression pact, nobody bothered to tell the players. It was a match of

edge of brilliance, on the edge of disaster, without ever quite reaching either It featured a great match

within a match, with the two

No 8s, who homed in on each

other before the second

minute was up. One, inevita-

bly was Sloichkov, who looks

more like a bank robber than

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bank. The other was Desailly.

who was mostly marking

him. In that second minule,

he was beaten by a Stoichkov

Stoichkov is one of those

team and star torn apart by internal strife

Simon Barnes watches the downfall of a

Tormented Stoichkov beaten by the enemy

general, and Stoichkov in rare, quite mesmerising footballers. When any world-class particular. He gol up from every fall with all the insufferplayer is truly up for a big game, the results tend to be able self-rightcousness of a compelling, but Stoichkov liar who believes his own brings an added dimension to lies. all this. He has a quality of

Foolball is another matter. menace, of danger, often assothough. He possesses a reptilian quality. and Desailly watched him the way you do a cialed with great actors. He may, at his very best, apsnake in your living room. proach the Olivier class as a The two exchanged off-thefootballer, but as an actor he is distinctively Dr Martens ball chest butts, whirling boots, theatrical tumbles, His persistent attempts to wounded looks to officials fool the referee were obvious and, on one occasion. a couple vigorous, unpunished enough, but every rejection of Stoichkov's sense of

Stoichkov led Bulgaria to persecution: his belief that the two purple patches in the first world is against Bufgaria, in

most players, though. It was a day that began brilliantly and urple patches, however, if you do not score in them, and, if you concede a humdrum ended disastrously, for him and for Bulgaria. goal from a corner as well.

things begin to fall apart. They were made to look an France had the wil lo slow insubstantial team, confoundthings down after they had ed by superior organisation gone ahead, allowing Bulgar-ia lo get cross with life, fate, and more even temperaments. Perhaps the problem is that they are overly reliant on one player. Stoichkov was able only to produce a single miracle on the day. The rest of the world and each other rather than with their opponents. Conceding a truly foolish goal, direct from a corner, his and Bulgaria's hopes went hardly added to the internal by in his ultimately fruitless and distracting battle with So to Stoichkov once again. Desailly and in a series of huffy and temperamental ges-

Does he wake up in the morning and ponder: "What shall I do today? Shall I score tures lo his team-mates. Bulgaria had looked set for a goal or shall I get sent off?" His deliciously-flipped free great things in this tourna-ment; they leave with nothing kick would have made the but a great disappointment.

"Our participation has been failure," Iordanescu said, "but we won't turn it into a tragedy. We will start afresh to build for the World Cup."

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Italy pressure mounts on Sacchi

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#### BY PETER BALL

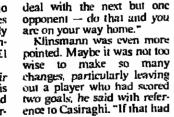
unrest in the team."

Italy's key creative force.

ARRIGO SACCHI is no stranger to pressure. It goes with the territory for the Italy coach, along with the compensation of a salary said to be El million a year.

However, if Italy lose their match with Germany this evening and go home instead of progressing to the quarterfinals, even the salary will not soften the awareness of his own responsibility. His deci-sion to make five changes against the Czech Republic carries a lot of blame for the defeat, which leaves lialy probably needing to beat Germany to survive.

Yesterday, even Berti Vogis, the Germany coach, who is reluctant to criticise any of his colleagues, and Jurgen Klinsmann, who is a byword for diplomacy, were unable to resist a dig. When Vogts was asked if he was watching polential quarter-final opponents, he said: "We will never





Klinsmann: diplomatic

play, could see them going happened to me, I would have home though it is highly had a problem accepting it." unlikely. "It would be history's he said, "and it has caused joke, if that happened," Klinsmann said, "but it could There is of course, no happen: so it is an incentive chance of Klinsmann being not to be too laid back." left on the bench today, but,

his captain apart, Vogts was being his usual, cautious self, Vogts agreed. "Any player who needs motivating for a refusing to reveal his hand. match against Italy should not No. he would not say who be in the team," he said.

Italy know that, for them, Klinsmann's partner would there is no second chance. "This is our final," Paolo That is the least of his Maldini, their captain, said problems; the main one com-ing at the back. The luss of before comparing the pressure of this game with that he Kohler is compounded by the absence today of Marcus experienced in the European Babbel, his deputy, who is Cup Champions' League with AC Milan after a home defeat suspended. Steffan Freund, a defensive midfield player by preference, is expected to be by Salzburg. Milan won in Austria to go

through. Italy could survive on a draw if Russia beat the pressed into service to mark Zola, who Germany see as Czech Republic, but they obviously cannot count on that and Germany are aware that an will have to look for a win. The unlikely combination of requestion is whether they are sulis, which would bring the coefficient calculation into capable of it.

CRUATIA are happy exceptionally so. They have won both their matches and have already qualified for the quar-ter-finals of Euro 96. Portugal are unhappy, and suffering from a festering discontent bordering on paranoia. Luis Filipe Madeira Figo, the influential Barcelona midfield player, twisted his left ankle in six-a-side training: Antonio Luis Ribeiro de Oliveira, the coach, thinks that everybody

harmonies.

is against him. Amid such contrasting moods, Croaoa and Portugal do battle at the City Ground this afternoon to resolve the outcome of Group D. A draw will be enough for both to progress into the last eight; a defeat for Portugal could allow Denmark to slip past them should they topple Turkey by a wide margin at Hills-

borough If points were awarded for temperament, or deducted for

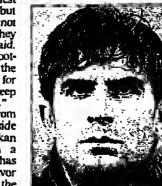
lack of it, the Croats would be well ahead of the Portuguese. It would be no contest. Miroslav Blazevic, the Croatia coach, has even stated that he would prefer to play Germany, the tournament favourites, in the quarterfinals, rather than possibly Italy or the Czech Republic.

Blazevic is 61, and the oldest coach in the tournament, but his grasp of reality has not waned. "I like Germany; they are such nice guys." he said. "Seriously, they play the foot-ball that would suit us the most. We are confident, for sure, but still have a deep respect for every opponent." He will change his side from the one that brushed aside

Denmark 3-0. Nikola Jerkan has not recovered from a broken nose, Alen Boksic has a throat infection, and Davor Suker, who scored two of the goals, will probably be rested for the more testing games.

Oliveira's odd utterings. "We have videoed all the games so far and there is a wide difference in the criteria of the yellow cards awarded against Portugal and those given to others," he said yesterday.

His claims of victimisation



Portugal's preparations appear unproven. Though have been plagued by they will be missing Paulinho Santos today through suspension, and six of his team-mates are on one booking each, the Czech Republic, Switzerland and Germany have similarly poor disciplinary records.

Oliveira, who strangely prefers to be quoted generally, not directly, is likely to bring in Secretario, of FC Porto, to replace Santos. Jorge Cadete or Jose Domingos could start up front for the first time, but, if Figo does not shake off his ankle injury. Oliveira's depression will be complete.

At Hillsborough, Turkey will, in all likelihood, be more committed than ever in an effort to appease their particularly enthusiastic supporters with at least one victory. With nothing to lose, it could turn out to be the most passionate game of the qualification round.

Figo: ankle injury



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## TENNIS

# Sampras fails to get luck of the Wimbledon draw

#### BY DAVID MILLER

THE smile of fortune is not alighting on Pete Sampras these days, even if his bank manager remains happy. A tough draw for the French Open singles has been immediately followed by another for Wimbledon, the arena that fills him with a sense of destiny, that makes him say inwardly "this is it" whenever he walks through the gates

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The man who has been Wimbledon champion for the past three years arrived there yesterday morning to discover that a first-round match against Richey Reneberg, his compatriot, who has twice beaten him, will probably be followed by a second-round meeting with Mark Philippoussis, 19, of Australia, who thrashed him in straight sets in the Australian Open this year.

It will get no easier. There is the prospect of playing Cedric Pioline, a Frenchman who, on his day, hits rockets from the baseline, in the last 16; then a quarter-final against either Thomas Muster, the clay-court specialist who found his touch on grass at Oueen's, or Michael Stich, the runner-up in the French Open and a former Wimbledon champion, who is surprisingly seeded as low as No 10. The scheduled semi-final is against Goran tvanisevic, whom he beat at the same stage last

The unfalteringly goodnatured Sampras smiled in his easy-going way as he surveyed the barriers between

#### Seeded players in bold Men's singles

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him and another step towards emulating Bjorn Borg's five singles titles. is very solid, successive Reneberg Sampras reflected, returns well and must be in shape, having won a tournament last week ... and Philippoussis? "He's a very big hitter with a

huge serve, who has proved he can beat me," Sampras said. "He's very tough to return [service] and it's a pretty tough draw." The better news for him is that Boris Becker, the latest Queen's champion and the man he beat in the final last year - after Becker's memorable win over Agassi has been seeded No 2, in the bottom half, together with Kafelnikov, the French champion. It was Kafelnikov who scuttled Sampras in the semifinal in Paris when the latter's muscles finally seized up after three earlier five-set

matches. To recover from the ordeal of that fortnight's marathon.

nated, missing Queen's but practising daily at Aorangi Park, with an exhibition stroll yesterday against Jeremy Bates at Hurlingham. "I'm mentally fresh," he promised, feeling comfortable in the surroundings of the tournament that he calls "the grand-daddy of them all". He learnt the game on carpet, but concedes that grass is now his (legitimate) addiction. "t've been hitting everyday for two hours or so; you need as much

grass-court time as you can get," he said. The press conference yesterday was intended as an opportunity to offer his last comments before and during the tournament on Tim Gullikson, his late mentor and coach. The failure in Paris, he

admitted, had been a huge disappointment; how to win the one grand slam event to have eluded him was one of the last things discussed between the two of them, succinctly summed up by Gullikson's "you win the last points".

"I tried very hard for him. but I didn't have enough," Sampras said. Anyone who beats him in the coming two weeks will not do so lightly. There had been around the room a collective sharp intake of breath in sympathy for Stefan Edberg, the champion of 1988 and 1990, and defeated finalist of 1989, who retires at

No 12, he must play Guy Forget, of France, and in the third round has the prospect of meeting Andrei Chesnokov,

the wily Russian. The man with some luck is the evergreen Becker. He might have a match in the last 16 against Chris Woodruff, the emerging American who eliminated Agassi in the second round in Paris, but should be untroubled until a quarterfinal with Jim Courier, the No 8 seed, and a semi-final for the second successive year with Agassi, who is seeded No 3



Pierce's service was rarely threatening during her defeat at Eastbourne yesterday

# **Elegant Pierce remains a** model of inconsistency

#### BY ALIX RAMSAY

rules to slow down the play has infuriated more than one opponent Yesterday not even she could slow down Spirlea, of Romania. The first set whistled past Pierce in 19 minutes, and after eight games she had won a meagre seven points. Less than enthralled with the tennis, the crowd was trying a spot of mental arithmetic to keep themselves awake. Spirlea, it transpired, was

Results.

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# Blazing away, in Atlanta

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#### Barning for Atlanta. Radio 4. 8.15pm.

Atlanta, Georgia, is the birthplace of Coca-Cola, the nerve centre of Ted Turner's CNN news network, and the American headquarters of the Holiday Inn hotel chain. All of which prompts Mark Lawson, that perceptive journalist, to describe the ultimate Atlanta experience that perceptive journalist, to describe the ultimate Atlanta experience as "drinking a can of Coke in a Holiday Inn hotel while watching CNN on television". Instead of watching CNN. Lawson could have said "while reading Gone With the Wind" because Margaret Mitchell helped to put Atlanta on the map. Twice burnt to the ground —three times if you include the conflagration in G.W.T.W. — Atlanta must be keeping its fingers crossed that the only thing that will burn in America's most violent city when the Olympic Games open there is the Olympic flame. the Olympic flame.

## Midweek Choice. Radio 3, 2.00pm.

Routinely, sentences that begin "The good news is ..." signal the fact that there is bad news to follow. Happily, this is not the case with *Midweek Choice*. From today its running time is doubled, from one hour to two. The system operates in the same old way. Send in your hour to two. The system operates in the same of the way, edda, Works request by post, or phone the production office by midday. Works selected from the postbag are listed in *Radio Times* and helpful newspapers such as *The Times*. With luck, your request could be played just a couple of hours after it is received. From personal experience, t assure you that the system does work. **Peter Davalle** 

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Sampras: philosophical

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the end of the year. Seeded IF DRESSES could win tournaments, then at least Mary Pierce could be accused of trying to reach the top. When it comes to playing tennis.

however, it is another matter entirely. Yesterday, elevated to the position of No 9 seed after the withdrawal of Steffi Graf, Pierce limped out of the Direct Line Insurance championships at Eastbourne, 6-0, 5-7, 6-2 to Irina Spirlea. At best, her performance could be described as lethargic; at worst, it did not bear thinking about - but at least the dress

looked all right. Unlike at Roland Garros, in second allowable within the

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not been a setback before Wimbledon, Yes, she thought that she had olaved some good points, and ves, she thought

that playing on grass could be good for her game. "This is my first match on grass since last year and it takes a little while to get used to moving around on the court." she said. "I'm going to keep oractising on grass because the more you practise the better you get." Which does not really explain why

she went back to California after the French Open to practise on Astroturf.

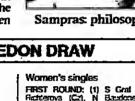
Pierce was not the only seed

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Novotna, who might have beaten her in the 1993 final. Most eyes, however, will be on the progress of Chanda Rubin. the exciting American, the No 7 seed, who could turn the tables on Arantxa Sanchez Vicario, a finalist last year, to gain a semi-final with a still uncertain Monica Seles, the No 2 seed.

should go two rounds before a Paris, the traditions of Engscheduled third round with land require adherence to the Muster; should his service predominantly white rule on prosper, a last 16 meeting with court, so Pierce's little black Stich is a possibility. Tim dress was replaced by a little Henman hits a wall first time white number, and she proceded to lose with as much Where might the upsets élan as she could muster. occur in the too-predictable The crowd was not to be

fooled. Pierce has managed to women's game? Steffi Graf, if bank \$2 million in her sevenless than fit, faces a tough quarter-final with Jana year career and has built her reputation on one grand slam tournament success, the Australian Open in 1995. Since then she has won only one title. She is the most frustrating of players to watch and to play. Her ability to hit the most outrageous winners is matched only by her ability to make the most basic mistakes. and her habit of using every

winning one game every three minutes, the same amount of time that it was taking Pierce to win a point. Pierce woke up to her

predicament in the second set and pulled out a few good services to win her first game after 27 minutes. This appeared to confuse Spirlea. She was unable to get close to Pierce's service for the rest of the set and even appeared to try to match her error for error. In this department, though, Pierce was far superior and, broken twice to go 4-1 down in the third set, it was only a matter of time before Spirlea ended the misery. Pierce was surprisingly upbeat afterwards. No. this had

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above her.

to suffer. Kimiko Date, the No8 seed from Japan, was beaten 6-4, 2-6, 6-2 by Lori McNeil. of the United States, the Eastbourne champion in 1992. The rest of the seeds were enjoying their week by the sea. Mary Joe Fernandez conceded just two games to Marianne Werdel Witmeyer, while Lindsay Davenport cruised past Gigi Fernandez o-3, 6-1. Fernandez was struggling with a thigh strain and immediately scratched from the doubles. Clare Wood, the sole British representative, was beaten 6-4, 6-3 by Ai Sugiyama, from Japan. Wood saved three match points, but it was asking too much to beat a player ranked 160 places 2.00 M

Brahms (Tr Es ist das her; Schaff B.00 Morning Collection with Paul Gambaccini. Bach (Sute In E minor, BWV 996): (Suite in E miror, Bwy 950); Koechin (Douglas Fairbanks; Liian Harvey, Greta Garbo, Seven Stars' Symphony); Beethoven (Piano Sonata in 9.10 You're Just as English as (3/4) 9.30 London Music Phoenb. Keth Puddy, clainot, Hugh Bean, vioin, Lionel Handy, cello, Shelagh Sutherland, C. Op 2 No 3) Musical Encounters, with 10.00 Mus Mary Miller. Includes Graham Fitkin (Loud for six pianos); piano. Hindemith (Quartet) 10.00 Volces. David Attenborough talks to tain Burnside about Nielsen (Maskarade excerpts); Bach (Concerto in the Italian Style, BWV 971); Stravinsky (Ballet: Jeu de cartes) 11.10 Artist of the Work) Bable Concerte artic Week: Pablo Casals, cello. With Sandor Vegh and Sandor Zoldy, violin, Georges Janzer, viola, and Paul Szabo cello. Schubert (String Quinte ceito. Schubert (String Quinti in C, D956) 12.00 Composers of the Week: Dupre and Durutlé 1.00pm Concert Hall, Live from the Wigmore Hall in London. Alexander Baillie, cello

Choice 4.00 Choral Evensong, from Canterbury Cathedral

on his travels 10.45 Night Waves. Richard Coles discusses the values of international photojournalism. Plus a first-night review of The isible Woman by Paul Godfrey Godfrey 11.30 Composer of the Week: Weber (r) 12.30am Jazz Notes. Steve Voce explores the bartone sources the bartone Kathryn Stott, piano. Schubert (Sonata in A minor, D821, Arpeggione); Bridge (Cello Sonata in D minor) Midweek Choice. See

saxophone with Alan and John Barnes 1.00 Through the Night, with Donald Macleod, Includes 1.00 Purcett, Locke, Corelli and Locatetti 2.30 Schubert 3.30 Webern, Butterley, Radulescu and Beethoven 5.00 Sequence

#### RADIO 4

5.55am Shipping Forecast (LW only) 6.00 News Briefing incl Weather 6.10 Farming Today 6.25 Prayer for the Day 6.30 Today incl 7.25, 8.25 Sport 7.45 Thought for the Day 8.40 Yesterday in Parliament 8.58 Weather 9.00 News 3.05 Vice or Virtue 10.00 News 3.4 Good Read (FW only). Edward Bishen and guests Morwenna Banks and Stewart Lee discuss three havourite paperbacks 5.00 PM 5.50 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weath 6.00 Str. O'Clock News 6.30 Brain of Britain 1996. Robert Robinson chairs the nationwide general knowledge quiz (r) 7.00 News 7.05 The Arc 7.20 Face the Facts. John Walte and his team of investigators 7.45 Your Place or Mine? Hard Kaur, a 16-year-old Asian from Handsworth, Birmingham, has an ambition to be Britain's first female rap 10.30 Gerdeners' Question Time star (7/8) 8.15 Burning for Atlanta. See Choice 10.30 Cardeners' Guession Time from Birmingham (r) 12.00 News; You and Yours, with Lesley Riddoch 12.25pm Are You from the Bugle? by John Gradwell, A sit-com set in a local newspacer office, With Jeffrey Choice 9.00 A Many-Faceted Thing. Joy Hendry investigates the debilitating effects of flashbacks and post-traumatic stress (3/4) 9.30 Kaleidoscope (r) 9.59 newspaper office. With Jeffrey Holland, Robert Beck, David Weather 10.00 The World Tonight 10.45 Book at Beditrae: Walden Hofland, Robert Beck, David Ryall and Frances Jeater (5/6) 12.55 Weather 1.00 The World at One 1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55 Shipping Forecast 2.00 Newrs; Legal Affairs, by Graham Harvey. A drama series about the lives of three solicitors in Warwickshire With Julia SL John. James Warror (3/7) (I) 11.00 Kathmandu or Bust. A comedy by David Napthine and Mike Yeaman. With Michelle Chadwick, Sarah Crowden and David Haig Julia St John, James Warnor, 11.30 First Impressions (FM only): Meera Syal and Jamila Massey (2/6) 2.45 Treasure Islands 3.00 News, The Afternoon Shift 4.00 News 4.05 Kaleidoscope. Pete McCarthy chairs the panet game tor mpressionists, with Alisteir McGowan and Steve Nation and this week's guests Safty Grace and Steve Stean (r) 11.30 Today in Parliament (LW

News 4.05 Kaleidoscope. Paul Gambaccini sees John Schlesinger's film An Eye lor an Eye, starring Kieler Sutherland as a serial killer 4.45 Short Story: The Other Girl. John Mortimer's thespian mystery read by Jenny

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only) 12.00 News incl 12.27am Weather 12.30 The Late Book: Skin Tight, by Carl Hizasan (8/10) 12.48 Shipping 1.00 As World Service

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# Outnitwitted by strike of genius

made too much of Gas-

coigne's goal. Terry Venables, the England coach, has not

two sticks."

in love with her.

Nobody goes into profes-

sional sport blind to the notion of fame. Fame means

being talked about, being

recognised, being on tele-

vision and in the newspapers.

It is not a commodity that you

get on your own terms. Fame

is not just about being called a

genius, any more than mar-

riage is just about tumbling in

Most footballers cannot ac-

cept this simple truth — "It is

# Scotland scrape home

of Ethiopia) who thought he could drive the car of Phoebu

Sun). He was wrong. In the attempt, he nearly caused the

(c) At one time in Scotland and the corth of England a man who ill-treated his wife (or sometimes a hen-pecked husband) was

made to ride the stang, ic, to sit on a stang (Old English staeng a

(a) Clameur de haro. To cry out haro to anyone (haro being in Old

French an exclamation or call for help). This cry is an ancient practice in the Channel Islands, usually as a form of protest

against trespass, which must then cease until the matter is settled

in court. It dates from the time of the first Duke of Normandy.

(c) Or Jedburgh, or Jedwood Justice. Putting a person to death

and trying him afterwards. Toponym from Jedburgh, the

Scottish Border town where Mosstroopers were given this kind

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of treatment. The same as Cupar Justice and Abingdon Law.

**RUGBY UNION** 

RICHIE DIXON, the Scotland coach, admitted that his their scrum half, turned the side had plenty of work to do before the second international against New Zealand on Saturday after the 35-31 win over Bay of Plenty in Rotorua yesterday.

"Our commitment was good to start with, but we allowed them to dictate the middle part of the game," Dixon said. Scotland entered the final

quarter trailing 31-22 before a

terminal conflagration of the Earth.

pole) hoisted on men's shoulders.

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Victoria 42-9 in Melbourne.

fortuitous try by Andy Nicol. tide in their favour. UWales recorded their third

an irresponsible boozer and a victory in Australia by beating person guilty of conduct inappropriate to a professional They now move to Sydney for athlete. We now accept that the second international on Mr Gascoigne is, in fact, a Saturday with a concern over genius, the saviour of football, Paul Arnold, their lock. "He has injured his lower back and will have an X-ray as soon as possible," Kevin Bowring, the Wales coach, said.

and a person who enriches the life of the nation. We apologise for any distress that this misunderstanding has caused. We will never criticise Mr Gascoigne again. Until the next time, of course. Perhaps you think WORD-WATCHING

that it is inconsistent to call Gascoigne a nitwit one week and a genius the next. So it is: (b) Someone who thinks he can set the world to rights, but but the inconsistency is not in (b) Someone who thinks he can set up work to the so-cannot. Agitators, demagogues, etc., are sons of Merops. The allusion is to Phaeton, a reputed son of Merops (the dusky king the newspaper but in Gas-

over the top.

coigne. Or in all of sport. Ask Michael Atherton, the England cricket captain. He was a man of wonder after his t85 not oul in South Africa; a few weeks later, he was caricatured as Cap'n Grumpy. Can we possibly be talking about

r Paut Gascoigne an apology. A short while ago, this newspaper suggested that Mr

Gascoigne was a fool, an idiot,

not fair, this bloke keeps the same man? Of course we picking on me, trying to stop me scoring goals for my are, and there is not even a contradiction involved. country." The England football camp

Mr Gascoigne, he is a has claimed that the press defender, he is a marker, that made far too much of the is his job.

the hay.

"Affair of Gazza's Party" - i "Another thing. This other bloke keeps writing about mean, let's get the whole thing in perspective, chaps, it was me." Yes, some members of just a few lads going slightly the press are unfair. So are some defenders, who kick However, I have not heard people who have aspirations any complaints that the press to genius. Clogging defend-

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said: "Let's get the whole thing in perspective, chans, just a lad kicking a bladder between Instead, it is all the press the press, my dear, you do not understand just how frightful the press are. The fact of the matter is that a professional athlete moaning about public-ity is rather like a beautiful woman complaining about the inconveniences that she suffers from people who fail

adored and being paid a lot. Athletes blame the media as farmers blame the weather for everything, with no regard for consistency, still less logic, and while making pots and

pots of money. It is all about the need for a visible enemy. Now it happens that racing

pigeons - this will all make a sense in a minnte, I promise regularly go missing. A thousand things can happen during a race; mostly, they hit power cables or simply get

unite, close ranks against the common, the "Visible Enemy? Venables told the papers that they ought to "get behind the lads"; as if uncritical fawning admiration were the duty of all media. rather than just television.

and comments on. How do you make sense of

nature of sport. Enjoy the sunshine while you can; a fine spell does not mean that rain has been abolished.

The sporting press is preposterous. That is because the sporting press accurately reflects the world that it reports

it all? You cannot. Sport, itself, is as inconsistent as the English climate. Take all the credit going for being a genius, because you will be an idiot again before the world is much older. The next had game lies in wait; that is the

Midweek View ers, diving forwards, blinking referees, inconsistent managers, egomaniacal chairmen, bypercritical journatists: these, for a footballer, are part of life's rich pattern. There

are, however, compensations: such as winning and being called a genius and being

netic field, and no point in campaigning against overhead cables. So, pigeon-fanciers direct their anger at falcons. They demand the right to shoot them. Nobody bas a clue how much damage, if any, peregrines do to their birds. The point is that falcons represent a "Visible Enemy". The press is the "Visible Enemy" of all professional athletes. Blame the press, not yourself. if things go wrong. Or use the press, as Venables has, as a rallying point -

lost. Occasionally they are eaten by peregrine falcons.

There is no fun in venting

anger against the earth's mag-

# Tales of the poisonous and the paranormal

when the people for arachine-phobia, spparently one to open up the magination of the scared person and plant there an image: of a spider looking silly and harmless, in eight big gumboots and a bobble hat. A similar kindness was performed for snake-o-phobes last night by Wildlife oo One (BBCI). in which we learnt of the huge, deadly tiger snake which slithers across the gritty wastes of Chappell Island in Australia, flicks its tonege at the camera, and still looks a complete moron at the same time.

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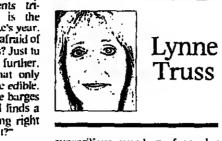
What a life this poor creature has. The tiger snake somehow got stuck on Chappell Island acons ago when the waters rose, and unfortunately forgot to bring a picnic. Now it roams this moonscape on its belly for It months of the year moaning with increasing disbelief, "What do you have to do

to get served in this place?" and "Has anyone invented the ladder big grey fluffy thing clamped in its jaws, resembling Hoover bag yet?" and "Where are the chicks?" turned inside ont. Evolution has dealt the tiger snake This moment represents tria hand like a foot, because on umph, don't forget. It is the highlight of the tiger snake's year. Chappell tsland there is therally nothing tu eat. Just once a year How could anyone still be afraid of mutton birds (shearwaters) arrive

snakes after watching this? Just tu tu nest in the ground and produce torture the poor chumps further. chicks. At which point the snakes evolution has decreed that only have their one annual chance of a chicks of a certain size are edible. square meal - and even that turns Thus sometimes the snake barges out to be oblong and flappy. in, kills the mummy, and finds a As usual. Wildlife on One hugely fat fluff-hall looking right compensated for the essential tenback at him, saving "What? minute nature uf this story by

Delittling poisonuus vermin inserting lots of life-or-death dra-B with sarcasm may be the favoured tool of hypnotists, ma, presumably shot in a studio. Snake slithers down hule (cek!). adult bird fluners in alarm, snake then. But if you want in belinle a tongue flicks, bird feathers fly hypnotist, the sarcastic Catherine uff. oof, peck, twirl. dart. squawk. Bennett ul The Guardian will do it and silence. Meanwhile, dumpy for you. To put it nicely, she is not hapless chick (attired in the usual someone you would wish to meet down a dark hole. Her new latefuzzy felt) blinks uncertainly, sensnight series on BBC2, Strange ing its doom, And sure enough, snake re-emerges from hole, with Days, began last night with a cool,





supercilinus round-up of popular supersotinn - astrology, feng shui, and Strange But True? on the telly - which was pitiless about other people's credulity. Feng shui (which she pronounced, with startling linguistic confidence, "fong shway") involves paying suitcases of ninney to an oriental shuman, who tells you how to line up your furniture. Luckily the sofa still goes in front of the telly, and not facing the ironing board. Bennett interviewed a mild-mannered man who had placed a cactus in the window. to ward off burg)ars.

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Is this the age of anti-reason? If so, why? Bennett interviewed Nicholas Humphrey, the author of the excellent Soul Searching, who endorsed her opinion that newspapers. books and television are irresponsible in reporting the paranormal as if it were harmless fun. Meanwhile, the guilible populace reaches out for the irradonal. It reads its stars in the paper, searches the skies for UFOs, and buys lottery tickets on the insane

grounds that "It could be me!" In the most jaw-dropping sectinn nf Strange Days. Bennco conducted a brilliant experiment, hanging around a post office and offering to swap her lottery ticket with other people's. They all giggled and said no. Yet the chance nf her lottery ticket winning was

precisely the same as theirs -14million to one. "And we are all," she added, "five times more likely to be killed by lightning."

rearching for an explanation S lor all this retro-bunkum, Bennett explored Humphrey's contention that it's a backlash against science. When science can explain so much, people want to be able to say, Well, you can't explain this, can you?" They want to wear X Files beanie hats, and waggle their eyebrows, and whisper "The truth is out there". But seeing those people clutching their lottery tickets and refusing to let go, a more humane explanation suggested itself: people want desperately to feel important, that's all.

Meanwhile, Murder One (BBC2) reached its sixteenth episode, in which Julie Costello married Richard Cross, much to the dismay of Teddy, Justine and

Arnold. If these names still mean nothing, it's not too late; honestly, the plot tooks more complicated than it is. Newcomers to Murder One need only appreciate that the whole cast have been taught to rasp and whisper, presumably to subvert the old Perry Mason genre of shouting in court. The words "throat" and "spray" spring to mind uninvited.

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Meanwhile, on the other end of the noise scale, in Cardiac Arrest (BBCI) the whole hospital went bananas, with the ghastly Dr Liz (Caroline Trowbridge) succumbing to a full-belt screaming nerbreakdown, while VOUS similarly unattractive Adrian (Jack Fortune) wailed over the lifeless body of his own son. Blimey. Relationships crashed, children died, doctors went mad. cacophony reigned. Clearly a Saturn-Pluto conjunction was al work. Any radonal person could

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9.00 Mork and Mindy (11364) 9.30 Schools: Le Petit Monde de Pierre (9554426) 9.45 Book Box (9655109) 10.00 Stage Two Science (5278426) 10.15 Equinox Plus (8171906) 11.10 Schools at Work (8989971) 11.15 The Mbx (9232277) 11.30 Rat-e-Tat-Tat III (8251109) 11.45 The Score (6249364)

12.00 House to House (28600) 12.30pm Sesame Street (r) (27616) 1.30 Madeline (r) (s) (99229762) 1.55 Jump. An American short film about a teenage girt's day on the beach (35733890)

2.15 FILM: Here Comes Mr Jordan (1941. b/w). Fantasy comedy starring Robert Montgomery and Evelyn Keys. Directed by Alexander Hall (194890)

4.00 Backdate (Teletext) (s) (203) 4.30 Fifteen to One (Teletext) (s) (277) 5.00 Rick Lake (Teletext) (s) (7684432)

5.45 Terrytoons (968258) 6.00 Blossom (r) (Teletext) (s) (165635) 6.25 Boy Meets World (Teletext) (s) (665646) 6.55 Terrytoons (830242) 7.00 Channel 4 News (Teletext) (443161) 7.55 The Slot (697884)

8.00 Brookside. (Taletext) (s) (5529)



#### 6,00am Business Breakfast (17722) 7.00 BBC Breakfast News (Ceelax) (48093) 0.00 Breakfast News Extra (Ceelax)

#### (2293529) 9.20 Morning Surgery (s) (1950432)

- 9.50 FILM: Life for Ruth (1966) with Michael Craig, Janet Munro and Patrick McGooghan. An agnostic doctor presses for manslaughler charges to be made against a religious man who prevented him giving the go-ahead to an operation which would have saved his daughter's
- Directed by Basil Dearder (56144890) 11.30 My Favourite Nosh (5258)
- 12.00 News (Ceefax) regional news and weather (7040242)
- 12.05pm Eat Your Words, Food quiz chared by Loyd Grossman (s) (6287221)
- 12.35 Going for Gold (s) (4828838) 1.00 News (Ceelax) and weather (41180)
- 1.30 Regional News and weather (39659371) 1:35 Neighbours (Ceefax) (s) (35737616)
- 1.55 Royal Ascot 1996. Julian Wilson and Clare Balding introduce coverage of today's races. Linda Beny casts her eye over the fashion scene (39349762)

4.40 Parrots - Look Who's Talking. Parrots, ably assisted by Tony Robinson, tell their own story. Includes magnificent macaws learning to crack hard nuts, lorikeets with rainbow plumage and flocks of African grey parrots seeking minerals in the shadow of forest elephants. In captivity, birds reveal the nature of their appeal as pets (r) (2150703)

5.35 Neighbours(r) (Ceefax) (s) (178548) 5.00 News (Ceefax) and weather (432) 6.30 Regional News magazines (884) 7.00 Euro 96 Live. Live coverage of Italy v Germany at Old Tratford. Plus highlights of the two concluding games in Group D played earlier today between Croatia and 6.00am Open University: Maths: Networks and Matrices |6434819| 6.25 OU All Hours |6340426| 6.50 The Victorian ligh Church (3900180) 7.15 See Hesr Breakfast News (3643635) 7.30 Smurfs' Adventures (36258) 8.00 Activ-8 (r) (1031857) 8.20 Mr Benn (r) (7102890) 8.40 The Record (9227677)

- 9.05 The Natural World; Scandinavia (2116242) 10.00 Playdays (2741109) 10.25 The Fugitive (b/w) (5897093) 11.15 Camp Wilder (I) (4316616) 11.40 The Science Function (I) (4316616) 11.40 The Addams Family (b/w) (i) [2220345) 12.05pm Great Crimes and Trials of the 20th Century (8228426)
- 12.30 Working Lunch (34703) 1.00 Melvin and Maureen's Music-a-Grams (45703432)
- 1.15 The Time of Your Life (31112819) 1.35 A-Z of Food (72589242) 1.45 Wear ft
- Well (72672906) 2.00 Year of the Pier: Eastbourne Pier (73596513) 2.10 International Women's Cricket (8213109) 3.00 News (Ceelax) regional news and weather (4464971) 3.05 Westminster (4847364) 3.55 News
- (4831190) 4.00 Tex Avery (6963155) 4.05 Casper Classics (6059906) 4.15 Jonny Briggs (5738093) 4.30 Rugrats (109) 5.00 Newsround (Ceelax) (4000249) 5.10 Blue Peter (Ceelax) (s) (1712884)
- 5,35 The Phil Silvers Show (169890)



Absolutely Animals Channel 4, 8.30pm The presenters are new, Wendy Turner (sister of Anthea) and a vet, Mark Evans, but the animal magazine starts a second series in the same troubleshooting mode. Thanks to the recent bat and rabies scare, one of the reports has become topical, in a town in Mexico vampire bats have started attacking people. The bais come out at night and

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survive on a diet of blood. In Latin America as a whole since 1992, 81 people have died from rables after being bitten by the bats, But, as Tumer reports, the Mexican health authorities are hining back with an unusual type of cull. Evans gets a trip to Florida, to look at how animals are exploited for the tourist trade, and an animal behaviourist is called in to advise a poodle owner back home on how to deal with her truculent pet.

Secrets of Lost Empires: The Incas BBC2, 9.00pm

We are in the Peruvian Andes where 500 years ago the Incas were building the largest and richest empire in the pre-industrial world. How did they do it? How did they manage to get huge blocks of stone to fit together without mortar and so accurately than not even a razorblade can be inserted between them? The Incas did not have the benefit of chisels to cut the stone, or wheels to transport them. Come to that, they could not even read. And how did they manage to string a bridge across a high gorge using only dry grasses for rope? In a mixture of game show and historical demonstration, experts are challenged to come up with the answers. An American professor reckons that stone might have been softened with concentrated sunlight. A stonemason says he is crazy. Such disagreements further enliven an already enticing programme.

#### Postcards From the Country; Norfolk Broads - Wetland Paradise

RBC2. 9.50pm It is difficult to imagine this now, but the

6.00am GMTV (7783277) 9.25 Supermarket Sweep (I) (Telelext) (s) (1871971) 9.55 Regional News (Telatevi) (2728258) 10.00 The Time . . . the Place (s) (9677838)

10.35 This Moming (77825797) 12.20pm Regional News (Teletext) (7046426) 12.30 News and weather (Teletext) (4814635)

12.55 Shortland Street (s) (4726426) 1.25 Coronation Street (r) (Teletext (7381093)

- 2.00 FiLM: Justin Case (1988) with George Carlion, Molly Hagen and Douglas Sill. A bizarre detective cornecy from the Disney stable about the chost of a dead private detective teaming up with an out of work actress to track down his killers. Directed by Blake Edwards (s) (7566600)
- 3.20 News (Teletext) (4544161)
- 3.25 Regional News (Teletext) (4543432) 3.30 Alphabet Castle (I) (s) (6826277) 3.40 Wizadora (r) (s) (3297616) 3.50 Britt Allcroft's Magic Adventures of Mum-fie (r) (s) (3103600) 4.00 Garfield and Friends (r) (564068)
- 4.15 Euro 96 Live: Croatia v Portugal from the City Ground, Nottingham, Plus highlights of Turkey v Denmark (47258426)
- 6.30 News and weather (Telelext) (110345) 6.45 HTV News (Teletext) (267628)
- 7.00 Midas Touch: Desert Island. Host Bradley Walsh meets five more contes-tants hoping to win the bar of gold (Teletext) (s) (1567)



1.25 Cross Wits, Cryptic crossword game show presented by Tom O'Connor (59741616) 1.55 Home and Away Special, Another chance to see the specially compled episode where Sophie goes into labour and then gives birth to Tamara, only for the child's tafter to be killed in a hit-and-

WESTCOUNTRY

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12.25-12.30 My Story (7127345)

12.55 Coronation Street (4726426)

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2.25 Brief Encounters (11515136)

11.40 Short Story Cinema (413548)

As HTV West except

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1.10 God's Gift (1762681)

2.10 Dear Nick (9471778)

3.05 In Focus (5166402)

3.50 Jobfinder (5597730)

5.20 Aslan Eye (8333759)

1.25 Cross Wits (59741616)

2.50-3.20 Our House (6120093)

2.55-3.20 A Country Practice (9389451)

6.45-7.00 Westcountry News (267628)

12.55 Home and Away Special (4726426)

1.55 A Country Practice (35653600)

12.40am Bushell on the Box (9031681)

CENTRAL

2.20 The Ultimate Shopping Guide

6.45-7,00 Central News and Weather

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10,10 Bod Boys: The Bonny Bonny Banks. A hoard of stolen money, hidden on an Island in Loch Lomond, gives Wayne and Fraser a crack at the big time. Fraser's wife thinks she is going on a romantic weekend to boost her flagging love life. With Karl Howman and Freddie Boardley eelax) (s) (553635)

11.00 FILM: LA Story (1991) with Sleve Martin and Victoria Tennant. A television weatherman who spices his reports with wacky humour finds his outlook distinctly gloomy on the career and romantic ironts until he gets supernatural guidance Directed by Mick Jackson (418105)

12.55am Royal Ascot 1996. The pick of the races and tashions on the second day of Royal Ascot (8561010)

12.55 FILM: American Hot Wax (1978) with Tim McIntire and Fran Drescher. The story of the controversial 1950s disc lockey Alan Freed, and his attempts to gain acceptance for rock 'n' roll Directed by Floyd Mutrux (5636858)

2.25am Weather (1577643)

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7.00mm Unden (31109) 9.00 Press Your Luck (5524839) 9.20 Love Connection II356894) 9.45 Oprah Winney (5269068) IS40 Jeepardy (1172971) 11.10 Sally Jessy Rephael (4853063) 12.00 Sightings Jessy Rephasi (46530(3) 12.00 Segrengs 61306) 12.30ppm Murphy Brown (8277) 1.00 Hotel (77432) 2.00 Geraido (55819) 1.00 Court IV (7905) 3.30 Oprair Wintrey (584180) 4.15 Undum (6229830) 5.00 Clasmum Lapp (8253) 6.00 Space Predinct 91068) 7.00 LAPD (9867) 7.30 M\*A\*S\*H (513) 8.00 Space: Above and Beyond (14667) 9.00 The Cure Limits (27451) 1.00 Hotel (14867) 80.00 The Utiler Limits (27537) 140.00 Quertains Leep (37838) 11.00 Hoph-lander (71345) 12.00 Lete Show with David (attarmain (2480049) 12.45ami Miracles and Wonders (6972310) 1.30 Anything Bul Love (68204) 2.00 Hit Mix Long Play (9621010)

SKY NEWS

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Patrick Stewart as Picard (6.00pm)

6.00 Star Trek: The Next Generation. Final feature-length episode of this long-running series (for now). All Good Things. Captain Picard (Patrick Slewart) finds himself travelling between the past, present and luture (30161)

7.30 BBC Design Awards. Janel Streel-Porter presents the contenders in the graphics category (3/3) (Ceetax) (s) (838) 8.00 Wildlife on Two: Babies Beware, From the ancient city of Jodhpur in Rajasthan, India, David Attenborough narrates

footage of the baby Hanuman langur monkeys who lace a dangerous shuggle lo survive (r) (Ceetax) (s) [3161] 8.30 Today's the Day - the Final. The final

of the our about what happened on this day in years gone by. Presented by Martyn Lewis (6068)

9.00 Office Secrets of Lost Empires: The Incas (Ceelax) (s) (507155)

9.50 CHOICE Postcards from the Country: Nortolk Broads -Wetland Peradise (Ceelax) [s] [498109] 10.30 Newsnight (Ceelax) (242277)

11.15 Murder One: Chapter Sixteen, Legal drama tollowing a high profile case both inside and outside the courtroom. With Daniel Benzalı (r) (Ceelaxi (s) (754242) 12.00 The Midnight Hour with Andrew Nell.

Political chai show (25662) 12.30am-6.00 The Learning Zone

SKY SPORTS

THE CHRISTIAN CHANNEL

4,00em Thought for the Day 4.05 Worship 4,15 huds TV 4.30 Chronicles of Revivel with

Rodney Howard Browne S.00 Viceo of Victory with Kenneth and Glona Copeland 5.30 Christian Music TV 5.45 Toa 8.15 This

Is Your Day with Bonny Him 6.45-7.00 Good Morning Europe

7,00em Guiding Light [4227819] 7.55 As the World Turns (1052797) 8.50 Peyton Place (2223819) 9.20 Days of Our Lives (7978432) 10.10-11.00 Another World

11.00em Globelrotter (4537432) 11.30 Docinations (4538161) 12.00 Dive Pro-grammes (4417432) 12.30pm Prene Franey (3577258) 1.00 Getaway (7776451)

THE HISTORY CHANNEL

SKY SOAP

SKY TRAVEL

SKY MOVIES GOLD

12.00 Easy Living [1937] (73364) 2.00pm The Mountain [1956] (9342) 4.00 Buona Sera, Mira Campbell (1988) (5722) 6.00 The War Wagon (1967) 117068, 8.00 My Simpmother is an Alien (1968) (12513) 10.00 Operation Daybreak (1975) (63822722) 12.05am Theatre of Blood (1975) (120566) 1.50-4.05 The Train

(1973) (602556) 1.50-4,05 The Train (1964) (602152)

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Sky Movies Gold takes over from 10pm

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THE DISNEY CHANNEL

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THE MOVIE CHANNEL

### area. The peat mines had to be abandoned when the sea level rose and flooded the diggings. That was seven centuries ago, More recently the Broads became a haven for fishermen, reed cutters and messers-about in boats. Today they are turned over to eisure use. Whether the changes have been

for better or worse is the unstated theme of Richard Mabey's portrait. Old-timers wax nostalgic about the black-sailed wherries and the windmills and water still clean enough to swim in. They regret the passing of the bittern and even of the coypu, officially a pest though remembered with affection. But if the big pleasure cruisers have come to stay, and pollution has killed the fish, nobody can spoil the superb Norfolk skies.

The Trials of O.J.Oyston Channel 4. 11.00pm

This profile of Owen Oyston was largely filmed before the colourfu) northern millionaire was sentenced to six years imprisonment for raping a teenage model girl. Interviewed at length, Oyston is in buoyant mood, admining to a healthy sexual appenite but describing rape as an "horrific crime" of which he has never been guilty. Since the film goes no further than the evidence given in court, the casual viewer will find it hard to dispute the jury's verdict. The other strand of the programme is Oyston's claim of a right-wing conspiracy against him because of his support for the Labour Party. A northern journalist who has been compiling a dossier on Oyston for eight years suggests the conspiracy has some substance. Disappointingly, the matter is not Peter Waymark taken further.

#### Johnny Briggs as Mike (7.30pm)

7.30 Coronation Street. (Teletext) (364)

8.00 A Touch of Frost. A wages snatch at a local factory leads to murder, but the owner's life is threatened when he identifies a suspect With David Jason (r) (Telelext) (s) (6345)

10.00 News and weather (Teletext) (61677) 10.30 Regional News (Teletext) (450819)

10.40 Euro 96 — Highlights. Jim Roseniha presents highlights of Russia v Czech Republic and Italy v Germany, matches which will complete the line-up for the quarter-finals (435890)

- 11.40 Special Report: Past Lives. The stories of people who believe they have been reincarnated (s) (413548)
- 12.10 FILM: The People across the Lake (1989) with Valene Harper, Gerald McRaney and Barry Corbin. A family move from the busy city to what they think will be the peaceful countryside. But, they soon discover the village is concealing a deadly secret. Directed by Arthur Allar Seidelman (s) (344759)
- 2.05 God's Gift (9474865) 3.00 Dear Nick (68310) 4.00 Bushell on the Box (/) (s) (45169) 4.30 The Time ... the Place (r) (s) (6572914) 5.00 Cover Story (s)

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As HTV West except 12.55pm Coronation Street (4726426) 1.25 Home and Away Special (59741618) 1.55 Shortland Street (35653600) 2.20 Murder, She Wrote (8117971) 3,15-3.20 Breakaways (4554548) 6.45-7.00 Meridian Tonight (267628) 10.40 The Road Show (257258) 5.00am Freescreen (35136)

S4C Starts: 6.35 Sharky and George (3818155) 7.00 The Big Breakfast (31703) 9.00 Mork and Mindy (11364) 9.30 Ysgolion: Le Petit Monde de Pierre (9554426) 9.45 Book Box (9655109) 10.00 Stage Two Science (5278426) 10.15 Equinox Plus (8171906) 11.10 Schools at Work (8289971) 11.15 The Mix (9232277) 11.30 Rat-a-Tat-Tat (6251109) 11.45 The Score (6249364) 12.00 House to House (26600) 12.30pm Wowser (56971) 1.00 Siot Meithrin: Rala Rwdins (34890) 1.30 Terrytoons (39752109) 1.35 Film: A Run to Your Money (77155074) 3.10 The Montel Williams Show (6536156) 4.00 Backdata, (203) 4.30 Australia Wild (277) 6.00 5 Pump: Steil (2421819) 5.15 5 Pump: Fteil (7250762) 5.30 Fifteen to One (529) 6.00 Newyddion (523635) 6.15 Heno (961242) 7.00 Pobol (323033) 8.15 Heno (501242) 7.00 Potor 1 Cwm (445703) 7.25 Cymru Gudd: Porfeydd Gwelliog (603616) 8.00 Bywyd Ben t Waered: Sydney (5529) 8.30 Newyddion (7364) 9.00 Encounters: Seven Go Mad In Peru (3635) 10.00 Brookside (61659) 10.30 American Gothic (81513) 11.30 Cybill (27068) 12.00 Just for Laughs (10730) 12.30am False Economy the Debate (832759) 2.05 NBA XXL (46018662)

#### Wendy Tumer (8.30pm)

8.30 Absolutely Animals. Wendy Turner presents stones from the animal world (Televext) (s) (7364)

9.00 Dispatches, An expose of sharp practise among some smaller insolvency practioners. (Teletext) (954529)

9.45 Four Mations: Great British Animation. Erica Russell's Feet of Song is a combination of graphics, sound and animation based on African, dance rhythms; Umbabarauma, by Susan Young, is a colourful interpretation of the music track by Jorge Ben encompassing the hopes and dreams of an assiring ootballer (975161)

10.00 American Gothic. Shariff Buck calls in a tew favours. (Teletext) (s) (6722)

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- 11.30 Brokel: False Economy --- the Debate. Will Hutton is questioned on the radical reforms he advocates to extricate Britain from its current malaise (752635)
- 1.05am Geldof Goes Goondiwindi. Bob Geldot and his band, the Happy Clusters, entertain at the Bachelor and Spinster Balt in the Australian Outback town of Goondiwindl (r) (s) (1761952)

2.05 FILM: Mission to Moscow (1943, b/w) starring Walter Huston. A controversial, Second World War pro-Soviet Second World War pro-Soviet propaganda biopic of Joseph E. Davies, the former American ambassador in Moscow. Directed by Michael Curtiz. Ends at 4.20

6,00em Dungeons and Dregons (11074) 6,30 Galaxy High (11628) 7.00 Mi Men (2700345) 7.05 Mr Men (1462108) 7.15 Rocko's Modem Lite (1442345) 7.30 Rugnats (189901 6.00 Doug (24987) 8.30 Morsters (22258) 9.00 Biker Mice (47838) 9.30 Fet Shop (51529) 10.00 Bananas in Pyamas (596548) 10.05 Bananas in Pyamas (596548) 10.05 Bananas in Pyamas (5955818) 10.10 Baker (1127805) 10.35 Jimbo and the Jetset (2478426) 10.40 Stylark (2571567) 10.45 Bananas in Pyamas in 100 Stylark (2571567) 10.45 Bananas in

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### FAMILY CHANNEL

5.00pm The Road to Avonies (8432) 6.00 Berman (972987) 6.25 Family Days Out Batman (972957) 6.25 Family Days Out (573890) 6.30 Catchphrase (6703) 7.00 A Word in Your Ear (9161) 7.30 The Fall Guy (533819) 8.25 Family Days Out (636548) 8.30 Only When I Laugh (4616) 8.00 The Father Dowling Mystenes (43285) 10.00 Treasure Hurt (93782) 11.00 Neon Rider (90529) 12.00 The Fail Guy (40020) 1.00em Batman (25310) 1.30 The Father Dowling Mystenes (33681) 2.30 All Together Now (39196) 3.00 Big Brother Jake (12846) 3.30 GP (53776) 4.00-5.00 The Road to Avonica

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PERFORMANCE

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#### Tim Robbins stars in The Player (Bravo, 9.30pm)

THE SCI-FI CHANNEL

7.00pm FILM The Andromedia Strain 9.30 Tales of the Unexpected (3580732) 10.00 Close (2818722) 1.00 The So Million Dollar Man (2793204) 2.00 4.00 FILM Hell Comes to Froglown TLC

9.00em Painting (6889426) 9.30 Eat Yaur Geors (1996259) 10.00 Durbar (2295432) 10.30 This Old House (6981838) 11.00 Homemaker (8530884) 11.30 Room Serveo (6531513) 12.00 Julia Chuki (6565890) 12.30pm Frugal Gournet (1950074) 1.00 Yan Can Cook (5144155) 1.30 Furniture lo Go (1999345) 2.00 Our House (7664242) 2.30 Gardan Show (6835722) 3.00 It's a vel's Life (7956277) 3.30-4.00 This Old House (6847567)

UK GOLD

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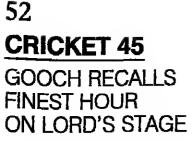
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# **TENNIS 50** LUCK OF DRAW

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BY MICHAEL HENDERSON

RAYMOND Illingworth was

considering his position as chairman of the England

cricket selectors last night after he was fined \$2,000 by

the Test and County Cricker Board's (TCCB) discipline

committee. Illingworth was also reprimanded for disclos-ing confidential views in a

newspaper article in May fint

the committee judged to be

"prejudicial" to the games interests, and instructed topay

Had not it not been for what the TCCB described as

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**DESERTS SAMPRAS** AT WIMBLEDON

# England to meet Spain at Wembley in quarter-final after emphatic victory

Shearer leads rout of Holland

# England Holiand

#### By ROB HUGHES FOOTBALL CORRESPONDENT

WITH a display of pace, passion and power, England trounced Holland at Wembley last night, earning them the right to play Spain in the stadium in the quarter-finals. Holland survive in the European championship thanks to the goal scored late in the second half by Kluivert, which denied Scotland a place in the

last eight. Paul Gascoigne sauntered through the first half, awoke to tease the Dutchmen in the second, and Shearer and Sheringham both capitalised



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gith a brace of goals. When En gland took the lead midway the first half, the stadium erupted. It was a strange but pleasing sight, a regation ground where s down. had completely broke datted where the orange shiri among English white defied the efforts of the organisers and the law to separate huheir man beings by colours.

England had lurked deep, following defensive instincts, with Gascoigne again, and now also Sheringham often hanging back, one knows not with what purpose, petrolling as deep as ince, the allotted anchor in front of the back four. Yet it was Sheringham, creating out of this repose,



Shearer, left, is kept at arm's length by Bogarde, the Holland defender, in the decisive Group A encounter at Wembley last night. Photograph: Ian Stewart

released it as if out of a catapult into the inside-right channel for McManaman. The Liverpool forward, at last liberated on the side of the field that suits him, advanced at pace towards the penalty

Ince, revealing a trick of great virtuosity, used his instep to flick the ball on, and blood and tears for one induced from Blind, the Holanother. Early on, Dutch fluidity had threatened England, land captain, a late trip which brought both a penalty and a thrown them back on their heels, and with Anderton. yellow card. Up strode Shearer, now confident of scoring among others, augmenting for England again, and with

England last night obliged the perlative. He came off his line and stood tall, forcing Dutch to integrate, to sweat Bergkamp to shoot, and then he jackknifed to the ground to deflect the ball with his feet

Just before half-time England broke again. A

Gascoigne was saving his

best night English football bas known for many years was developing. It took another six minutes, and another piece of Gascoigne inspiration, to invent goal number three. He rolled the ball impudently

away from Seedorf, turned

defence and Kluivert, just on as a substitute, stole three yards off Pearce and struck a vital consolation goal.

whether he w Bergkamp (Arsenal), P Hoekatra (Ajao, sub: P Kluivert, Ajax, 72). season. Such Prakties, year, 12, ENGLAND (4-4-1-1): O Seaman (Arsenal) — G Noville (Manchaster United), A Adama (Arsenal), G Southgate (Aston Villa), S Pearce (Notilopham Forest) — S McManasman (Liverpool), P Ince (Internazionale; sub: O Plott, Arsenal, 67), P Gascoligne (Rargors), O Anderbron (Totten-ham Hotspur) — E Sheringham (Totten-ham Hotspur) — E Sheringham (Totten-ham Hotspur) — E Sheringham (Totten-ham Hotspur) — E Sheringham (Totten-ham Hotspur) — E Sheringham (Noter-ham Hotspur), sub: R Fowler, Liverpool, 76) — A Shearer (Backburn Rovers; sub: N Barmby, Middlesbrough, 76). Alec Stewart has the chance to revive his Test career as Nick Knight, the Warwickshire opener, has been ruled out of the match with India. because of a fractured finger. Knight failed to come through a net and a spell of slipcatching practice yesterday. Referen: G Grabher (Austria),

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illingworth's "exceptional service", the fine would have been higher. Illingworth has 28 days to appeal and, at a press conference in his solicitor's office, he said that he would consider making one. He is not expected to do so until the completion of the second Test match against India, starts at which Logi tomorrow.

Despite a testimonial on Illingworth's behalf by Dennis Silk, the chairman of the TCCR the seven-man committee felt that a fine was appropriate. Illingworth had bene fited from the serialisation of the book, One Man Committee, which detailed his account of his two years in office, notably the public falling out with Devon Malcolm in South Africa last winter,

Alan Herd, represent lilingworth, drew the come tee's attention to the fact that Malcolm had escaped without a fine when he was asked to account for his views, which also appeared in The Daily Express. Illingworth, Herd said, was unhappy with the ICCB's handling of the matter and wanted to put his side a the story.

Illingworth, who store down as manager of England team earlier the and relinquishes the chair. manship in September, disp-ibed it as "a sad day". He has already vowed not to have anything more to do with the game and it must be doubtful

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who sparked Fingland's open-ing goal. Halfway in English Ince produced a darting run, held it at his feet, turned and

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to wait for support and, when territory he controlled the ball, he passed precisely into his path.

area. He showed the patience

unremitting force plus fine accuracy his penalty defeated the long stretch of Van Der Sar, the lean Dutch goalkeeper. Three goals in three games for Shearer, his 21-month England drought now a distant

memory. Much had been made of the supposed division in the Holland camp after the expulsion last week of Davids by the coach, Guus Hiddink. There was allegedly intolerance between Ronald De Boer and Blind and the young Surinamese players, Seedorf and Da-vids. The truth, as the Dutch honestly admit, is that it is more of a generation gap; and to speak of racism in the country that produced Rijkaard and Gullit is disreputable nonsense.

Whatever, the goal from

Scotland

Villa Park.

Switzerland

the defence, England were reduced to hopeful breakaways.

mercy, sliced it across the face Yet, in the seventh minute, of goal, bouncing beyond the far post. The bad news for an Anderton corner found Shearer, surprisingly free of England came with a yellow his marker. Bogarde, and free also to take aim at goal from 14 card for Ince, for his second yards. His right-foot shot was true, but Witschge deflected crude and spiteful tackle, which rules him out of the

the ball with his heel on the quarter-final. goalline. Corners were dangerous for England, too, as irrepressible self. But from a twice Winter rose at the near corner six minutes into the post to balls aimed in by second half, he delivered an Hockstra, only to head over accurate ball, swinging high the crossbar.

towards the penalty spot, and Bergkamp, for the most part there Sheringham, producing matched by the pace of Southa tremendous leap above Wingate, should have hit the target ter and turning in mid-air, from Reiziger's right-wing cross, but missed. Moments found the power with his header to defeat Van der Sar, whose vision was probably later Bergkamp anticipated a poor back-header from Southimpaired by Seedorf. gate, cruised by him, but, one

against one, Scaman was su-Holland were wilting, and the

and sprinted into the penalty hooked on by Gascoigne and area and, when McManaman Sheringham, the goal at his returned the ball to him. Gascoigne had the power and the momentum to sweep away Winter's challenge.

When Gascoigne then laid the ball on a plate for Sheringham, the Tottenham man's mis-kick, an attempt at a shot, diverted the ball to a player who would not miss: Shearer, again with awesome force, drove the ball past Van

Der Sar. Another five minutes and, when Anderton struck a shot that deflected off Blind, the goalkeeper could only push it to Sheringham, who this time poached the fourth goal from cight yards.

Scotland's midfield to go

Scotland's energy flagging in the second half, particularly

when the news came through

of England's surge into a 4-0 lead over Holland. The play-

ers knew then that they need-

ed only to remain in front of

the Swiss, should the score at

triumph might have been

inhibiting, but Scotland re-

fused to be forced back into

nervous defending. Instead,

they judged that the best way

to protect the imminent glory

was to remain in the other half of the field. Not even the

ecstatic emotions of their sup-

porters, however, could pro-

tect them from the cruel news

of a Dutch goal at Wembley.

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The proximity of an unlikely

Wembley be unaltered.

There was no chance of

about its work unhindered.

The Dutch disarray was near complete, although in the The lions were rampant, 77th minute Bergkamp looped the ball over England's square

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**McCoist finally makes his mark** as Scotland go down fighting the field he was still 20 yards areas of the field, permitting

seven previous appearances for his country at the finals of a major tournament. His urgency, and that of the men

BY KEVIN MCCARRA who plied him with the ball, was to excite a passionate support but also to tantalise it. ANGUISH found yet another way of insinuating itself into Scotland's experience last night. Until Holland's late goal against England they were set to advance to the quarter-finals on goal difference. With Kluivert's finish at

Wembley, however, the Dutch rescued themselves by moving in front with a greater number of goals scored. For all their minute, began neatly enough with McCoist heading the ball to McAllister and taking the dejection. Scotland must, nonetheless, take pride in the enormous effort they made at

Scotland had created opportunities at the start of the game and McCoist had squandered them. As the Swiss began to acquire some steadiness, though. Brown's side constituted an instant of individual inspiration for the collective effort that had preceded it. The move, in the 36th

return, but as he moved across

him through to such a moment for much that had gone before was dispiriting. The Swiss are suspected of being weak in the full-back positions and in the opening exchanges Scotland flooded play down the wings. After five minutes Collins delivered a corner from the right that Durie flicked on to McCoist. directly in front of the posts. It

from goal. Realising that no

opponent was approaching,

the forward had the confi-

dence to turn and thrash a

drive past the goalkeeper. Only McCoist's enormous

self-belief could have carried

was a chance of inviting simplicity, but McCoist's shot was pushed on to the bar by Pascolo, the goalkeeper. Exasperatingly for Scotland, McCoist was finding it easy to

come by space but harder to locate a good finish.

ed off the goalkeeper. theless, even in the midst of such frustrating episodes.

victory and surrendered large e: V Krondt (Czech Republic)

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the ability of the players to believe in the improbable. Scotland, in the early stages, proved more adept at this task and even before they had heard of the goal that gave England the lead over the Dutch their performance was full of conviction. One man in Craig Brown's team was also driven by a personal ambition. For all his prolific ways with Rangers.

The game was a test of the

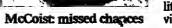
imagination it was not so

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McCoist had never scored in





Seven minutes later McKinlay's deep cross was knocked down by Burley to McCoist but his shot rebound-Optimism about Scotland's chances had survived none-

SCOTLAND (5-3-2): A Gorsen (Rangers) — C Burley (Chelsee), C Caldenwood (Toton-tram Hotspur), C Hendry (Blackburn Rovers), T Boyd (Celtic), T Mickfinlay (Celtic, stb: S Booth, Aberdeen, Gornin) — S McCalt (Rangers), G McAllister (Leeds Unlacd), J Collins (Celtic), — G Durie (Rangers), A McColst (Rangers, J Spen-car, Chelsee, 83). SWITZERLAND (4-4-2): M Pascola (Sansteig) — M Hotiger (Eventon), R Vege (Gasstropper), S Hencharz (Hamburg), Y Querdin Stor, A Comisetti, Grasshopper, S Pournier, Stor, 45), C Banvin (Son) — K Tärkylänez (Grasshopper), F Chapuicat (Boysen Munich), M Noller (Grasshopper, S) Pournier, Stor, 45), C Banvin (Son) — K

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